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CARDINAL FREESIA.

CRIMSON DAISY.

Fall Catalogue of BULBS AND PLANTS THAT BLOOM

JOHN LEWIS CHILDS,
FLORAL PARK,
N.Y.

OUR SUPERB NOVELTIES. Shown on cover of this Catalogue.

The new Plants and Bulbs figured on the covers of this Catalogue, both front and back, are wonderfully fine things. For winter blooming, especially, the Coleus, Cardinal Freesia and Crimson Daisy are simply superb. Nothing can surpass them, while the Branching Tulip and Queen Wilhelmina Crocus may be potted for winter blooming, or planting out in the garden for early spring flowering. We are very fortunate this year in having so many extra fine new things to offer.

Cardinal Freesia.

It is somewhat misleading to call this a Freesia, though in foliage and general habit it is just like one, but is far superior in blooming qualities. It is really a new variety of Tritonia. The original bulb (one only) was sent to us from Africa several years ago. We at once saw that it was the most brilliant winter-flowering bulb in cultivation, and have carefully grown it until now we have enough to offer. Treated like a Freesia it produces spikes of large, well open flowers of the most intense cardinal color. It is very easily grown and sure to bloom in pots during winter, and is hardy enough to bloom in the open ground in the Southern and Pacific States. It created a genuine sensation at the New York Horticultural Show where we exhibited it last winter. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Flowering Coleus.

A new species of Coleus which is one of the most superb flowering plants in cultivation. It blooms only during winter, producing dense, heavy spikes of flowers one to two feet in height, and of the most beautiful and pleasing shade of blue ever seen. It is in bloom continually from November to June. No matter how small a plant is it is bound to flower, and is one of the easiest to cultivate, succeeding like a Geranium in any situation. 30c. each; 4 for $1.00.

Crimson Daisy. (*Gerbera.*)

This also flowers during winter, and makes a fine pot plant. The flower stems rise from the very crown of the plant at the surface of the soil to a height of two feet, and are exceedingly graceful, bearing a large, daisy-like blossom three or four inches across, and of a fine crimson color, with a velvety texture which makes it particularly beautiful. It blooms all winter, and, to some extent, during summer. One of the most graceful and beautiful flowers we have ever seen. Our stock is from one original plant, sent us by a customer in India some years ago. 40c. each; 3 for $1.00.

LITTLE MONARCH FERN BALL.

Branching Tulip.

This Tulip has the remarkable quality of sending up two or three flower stems from each bulb, each stem branching and bearing two or three blossoms, so that five to eight flowers are produced from one bulb. As it is very rare for any Tulip to produce more than one flower, the value of this sort is at once apparent. The flowers are of good large size and a dark, deep cardinal red with a border of old gold around each petal which gives the flower a distinct and very attractive appearance. It is an early bloomer and forces finely when planted in pots for winter blooming, and is a most showy sort for the garden. Certainly one of the finest fall bulbs we ever offered. 10c. each; 3 for 25c.; 12 for 90c.

Queen Wilhelmina Crocus.

An improved Crocus, producing a bulb of enormous size and a correspondingly large flower and more of them. We have it in four colors: white, blue, striped and yellow, and they will be a revelation of beauty to all who plant them. Best of all Crocus for winter blooming in pots, but for the open ground, flowering in early spring, they are simply grand, the flowers being as large as good Tulips.

Great White—Pure snow white.

Great Blue—Rich purplish blue.

Great Striped—White and blue.

Forty Flowered—This makes a gigantic bulb, like the above, but the flowers are not so large, but are produced in such enormous numbers as to give it the name of "Forty-Flowered." Each bulb produces from twenty to fifty beautiful blossoms of a deep, rich, glowing yellow and it blooms much earlier than other sorts. It is a grand good thing and will astonish all who plant it with its wonderful profusion and beauty.

5c. each; the 4 for 15c. 3 each of the 4 sorts (12 bulbs) for 40c., or either sort separate at 35c. per dozen.

Fresh Fern Balls.

These are large round basket-like bunches of Fern roots interwoven with moss. When suspended in a window and watered elegant green foliage starts out from every side, top and bottom, making a highly ornamental object, and one that keeps fresh and green for many years. Grows well in sun or partial shade and is a novel and beautiful object. These Fern Balls are made in Japan, and we import them fresh every year. Next lot will arrive in December, and we shall book all orders and send the Balls out as soon as they arrive. Greatest success is had with strictly fresh stock.

Little Monarch (Air Fern)—A small Fern Ball, but very closely woven and contains a great quantity of eyes which produce a luxuriant growth of extra fine fronds, which stand out well and make the most beautiful effect. This is a complete novelty, having never before been offered, and we assure our friends it will be a great treat. We can offer it at the very low price of 30c. each; 4 for $1.00, by mail.

Japanese Standard—The standard or ordinary Fern Ball. 50c. each, by mail.

Giant—These are very large Fern Balls, too large to mail and are sent only by express. 75c. each.

THE MAYFLOWER

MONTHLY MACAZINE

Is about to be published semi-monthly and made more valuable than ever, at the small subscription price of 75 cents for 3 years.

Read all about it on 3rd page of cover.

OUR GREAT SURPRISE COLLECTION.

$4.00 or $5.00 Worth of the Choicest Bulbs for Only $1.00.

We are obliged to grow and import enormous stocks of all kinds of Bulbs, generally more than is necessary, to make sure of having enough. It is our custom, after the heavy fall business is about over, in November, to take this surplus stock of various good things, made it into "Surprise" Collections, and offer same to our customers, giving them four or five times the value of their money. In fact, the "Surprise" is the great amount of fine Bulbs one gets for the money paid. These collections cannot be sent out until about the 10th of November, and will be entirely of our own selection, from kinds of which we have a surplus. No collection will be made up for less than one dollar, and from that up to any amount the purchaser may desire. They will be sent free, by mail, unless desired by express, and in that case we can send very much more for the money than by mail. All Surprise Collections ordered previous to November 10th will be booked and shipped then, but we continue sending them up to the end of December. We advise our friends to invest a dollar or more in this Collection. We can guarantee that all will be greatly pleased.

GREETINGS FOR 1902.

THE trade in Fall Bulbs has been considerably hurt during the past five or six years by the importation of small sizes which necessarily are of inferior quality. This is done for the purpose of saving, not only on the first cost of the bulbs but also on duty, and more especially on the great amount of postage that is saved in sending them out. Strictly first-class bulbs of Hyacinths, Tulips, Narcissus, etc., are large and heavy and cost the dealer in postage or expressage for delivery a great deal more than second-class bulbs, to say nothing of the first cost which is nearly double. As a rule, these second-class bulbs do not give satisfaction and the one who plants them is therefore disappointed and discouraged. The ignorant dealer might be excused for doing this, but competition in prices has driven many to selling second-class stock who know better. We have always appreciated the importance of supplying first-class Bulbs only and have never relaxed our efforts, or spared expense, to get the best of Holland's output, and our customers have always received from us just as good bulbs as they used to get fifteen or twenty years ago, before competition and hard times created such rivalry to sell cheaply. Our stock this year is up to the highest standard, the very best that is produced, and our customers can rely upon its being entirely satisfactory.

THE MAYFLOWER.

Do not fail to read every word that is said about "The Mayflower" on 3d page of cover. It is about to be published semi-monthly and on a new plan, which will make it unique among publications, and of lasting value. Each of the 24 numbers of a year will be equal to a little book giving briefly and concisely a complete treatise on some popular plant, with the best and most reliable cultural directions, by a well known and competent author.

General Instructions.

What We Do.

We Take the Risk.—We guarantee that all money sent us shall reach us, if sent by Post Office or Express Company's Money Order, Bank Drafts, Bills or Coin by Registered Letters. We will not be responsible for coin sent in ordinary letters, or for postage stamps.

Free By Mail.—We send Seeds, Bulbs and Plants FREE BY MAIL at the prices named in this Catalogue. This brings them to the very doors of our customers without trouble or expense. To some points, where the large express companies touch, we can send some orders as cheaply by express as by mail. In such cases we send by express, prepaid, and notify the purchaser to that effect.

By Express.—If a package is ordered to go by express, we do not pay the charges; but larger Plants, Shrubs and Fruits can be sent in this way, and we always add extra ones, more than enough to pay the cost. All the larger express companies carry our goods at very low rates.

We Guarantee that every package we send out shall reach its destination in good condition, and that everything shall be received exactly as ordered. If a package is lost, or any of its contents injured on the way, we will send again. We also guarantee everything true to name.

We Pack all Plants carefully in strong boxes, which insures their safe transit through the mails to the remotest part of the country or abroad.

We Fill all orders as soon as received, if the stock is ready. Customers who wish their order, or any part of it, booked for shipping at a later date, should state the fact.

To Canada, Mexico, Hawaii, Germany, Newfoundland, New Zealand, most of the **countries of South and Central America,** and the **West India Islands,** we can send goods in large parcels by mail, prepaid. We can ship only Seed to other foreign countries by mail, postpaid.

What Buyers Should Do.

Forward Money with the order, and at our risk, when sent by Post-Office Money Order on Floral Park; greenbacks or gold or silver coin, by Registered Letter; Bank Draft or express company's Money Order. Post-Office Money Orders are by far the cheapest and the safest method for remitting, and nearly all post-offices issue them. The fee on a Money Order is only 3 or 5 cents for small sums. We send with this Catalogue an order sheet, envelope and a blank application for a Money Order to us, and earnestly request our patrons to remit by Money Order if possible.

Private Checks.—Private checks for small sums are not desirable, as it costs us so much to collect them. All banks now charge for collecting private checks.

Stamps and Silver.—Please do not send postage stamps in payment for goods if it can be avoided. Coin, when sent in letters, should be sewed or pasted up in strong paper or cloth, to prevent its breaking through the envelope, which is frequently the case when enclosed loose. *We will not be responsible for Coin sent to us except in Registered Letter, or for Stamps.*

Write Your Order plainly and distinctly by itself and not mixed up with anything else you may wish to say. Those who send a neat, plainly written order will be sure to have it filled correctly and with despatch, and will also receive some valuable "extra." Be sure to write your NAME and ADDRESS plainly.

IMPORTANT—It occasionally happens that an order is lost in coming to us, or the goods in going to the customer; therefore, if any who order do not hear from us within a reasonable length of time, they should send a duplicate order, naming the date on which the former one was sent, and the amount of money enclosed, and in what form. This will enable us to investigate the matter and fill the duplicate order with dispatch. *No inquiries will receive attention which do not contain duplicate, etc., as here mentioned.*

Our Catalogue of Seeds, Bulbs and Plants for 1903.

IT WILL make a large book, elegantly illustrated and with numerous colored plates, devoted to SEEDS, both flower and vegetable, all the best novelties and standard varieties; also BULBS and PLANTS, such as Summer-flowering Bulbs, Hardy Bulbs, Hardy Perennials, Window and Bedding Plants, Roses, Ornamental Shrubs, etc., and rare new Fruits of various kinds. The list of articles offered will be most valuable, novel and interesting. This great Catalogue will be sent free to all who apply. Customers will receive it without applying.

Address all orders, etc.,

JOHN LEWIS CHILDS, Floral Park, N. Y.

HARDY OR HOLLAND BULBS.

HARDY, OR HOLLAND, BULBS are most deservedly popular. In the flower garden they have wrested months of each year from Winter's stern grasp. Before the last snowdrift has melted, the Snowdrop, Scilla and Crocus appear, close followed by a score of others that have made the name "Spring Flowers" synonymous with beauty and fragrance. Indoors they have won equal triumph, and hold the place of honor for beauty, fragrance, easy culture and certainty to bloom. We make a specialty of supplying a grade of extra large and select Bulbs, the cream of Holland's annual output. We *know* that they are the *best* imported into the United States.

Culture for Winter Blooming.

How to Have Flowers in Profusion.

IN NEARLY every home there is someone who loves to cultivate flowers in winter, and there is always one or more windows that can be used for that purpose. To fill these windows with beautiful flowers and plants during winter is only a question of knowledge—knowledge which will lead to a proper selection of kinds. The proper plants will grow and thrive without any special care. They will bloom profusely. They will be beautiful and fragrant, brilliant and fascinating, and they cost very little. What are they? First and foremost we say Hardy Bulbs.

The following is a list of the most desirable bulbs for winter bloom, being of the easiest culture, and sure to produce the most satisfactory results:

HYACINTHS. The Queen of winter-blooming bulbs. Nothing can rival the stately grandeur of its massive spikes of beautiful colors, its exquisite fragrance and chaste beauty. Easy to grow and sure to bloom for anyone, under any conditions. Plant them freely. Three bulbs can be put in a five or six-inch pot, and will make a show fit for a Queen.

TULIPS. For brightness and brilliancy they are supreme. Great, nodding, cup-shaped blossoms which fairly glow with brilliant colors. And, oh so cheap! What a lot of rich varieties may be had for a few cents.

NARCISSUS. Golden and white colors of rare richness in numerous shades, which are often blended together in a charming manner. Exquisite forms, superb fragrance. The greatest rival of the Hyacinth and, like it, a free and sure bloomer. You can not have too many. They cost little. Be sure to plant them freely, and not omit the Polyanthus varieties.

SACRED LILIES. Species of the Narcissus, from the Orient, where they are loved, cherished and even reverenced. And well they may be, for what flower can be more lovely and fragrant, more fascinating and more lovable, or easier to grow either in sand, soil, or pebbles and water?

FREESIAS. Dainty blossoms of the highest order. Delicate, charming and beautiful. Everybody loves them. When a dozen bulbs can be had for 10 cents there is no excuse for not having them in abundance. Plant five or six in a 6-inch pot.

OXALIS. A few bulbs will fill a large pot with charming foliage and gay blossoms. They commence growth and bloom as soon as planted. Cannot do without them.

IRIS. Some varieties, particularly Hispanica, are indispensable for winter blooming. They cost so little and a pot of half-dozen bulbs, of different colors, will be one of the most attractive in a collection of winter flowers.

ORNITHOGALUM ARABICUM. Large bulbs which at once inspire confidence. Each must have a 6-inch pot, and each will produce enormous heads of exquisite flowers and create a sensation wherever seen.

CHIONODOXA and SCILLA SIBERICA. Rich colors in shades of blue, graceful, airy sprays of starry blossoms. To see them in a mass is to lose one's heart in admiration; so easily grown, so cheap, so eminently lovely.

IXIAS, SPARAXIS and FRITILLARIAS. Odd flowers; little known and seldom seen, yet most charming in every particular and of trifling cost. Try them.

ANEMONES and RANUNCULUS. Well known and popular plants for winter blooming. They cost but little and if one is successful with them they yield a large reward.

CYCLAMEN. Strictly winter bloomers, with most beautifully marked and shaded foliage and flowers, combining at once exquisite beauty with delicate, rich and brilliant colors. Grow in a cool window.

CALLAS. The most popular of window plants. Always seen where plants are grown. The little Gem (new) is the pet among plants wherever it is known. It will soon be in every collection. Childs' Dwarf Ever-Blooming, the King of Callas, produces flowers all the time, of great size. Growth dwarf and compact, requiring comparatively little room. Fragrans is the finest of all. Do not fail to get it.

LILIES. Two stately varieties for winter blooming—the Bermuda Easter Lily and L. Candidum. Their beauty, stateliness and rich fragrance has made them the aristocratic flowers of the day. Easily grown, sure to bloom, and unsurpassed for church and other decorations. But plant large, strong bulbs. Throw away no time or money upon weak ones.

The culture of all these Bulbs is very simple. They can be potted during September, October or November, watered well and set away in a cellar or any cool, dark place to make roots, when, after remaining four or six weeks, or as much longer as desired, they can be brought out for blooming. We earnestly advise potting the bulbs as early as possible, especially if flowers are desired as early as New Year's, for the longer time they have to make roots the better they will bloom. By bringing out a few pots at different times a succession of bloom can be kept up all winter. If they are kept in a cool place while in bloom the flowers will keep perfect a long time. For the benefit of those who desire more explicit cultural directions we give it here in detail:

SOIL—The variety of soil is not a very important item in bulb culture. Any good garden loam will answer, but if we had a variety to choose from we would take a rich, sandy soil and mix it with a small quantity of leaf-mold. Do not use manure unless it is very old and well pulverized, and then only in small quantities, or it may cause the bulb to decay, or encourage too rank a growth of foliage.

TIME TO PLANT—Bulbs can be planted from September to December, and some kinds even later, but the earlier the better will be the result, especially if desired for early blooming. Plant in September or October if possible.

PLANTING—In planting, set the bulbs just below the surface of the soil, so that they will be entirely covered. Set the bulbs down in the soil and cover them; do not press them in by force, for this packs the soil under them, and when the roots start they are apt to lift the bulb.

AFTER PLANTING—They should be well watered and set away in some cool, dark place to make root. A cellar is best, for it is desirable that they should be kept moist and as cool as possible, hence a warm, dry place is not a good one. Water them from time to time as the soil becomes dry. They should remain in this position at least four weeks, and as much longer as possible, it being desirable that they should have good roots before bringing them out to bloom.

BLOOMING—When brought from the cellar or storeroom the pots or bulbs should be placed in a light, sunny window. See that they are watered frequently and have as much fresh air as possible. Keep them free from dust, and when in bloom they will last much longer kept in a cool atmosphere than in a hot one.

Culture in the Garden.

Bulbs are especially valuable for outdoor planting, as they bloom at a time when the garden is utterly destitute, and make it gay and attractive. Scillas, Snowdrops and Crocus appear as soon as the snow is away, and are quickly followed by Hyacinths, Narcissus, Tulips, etc. The display which a few of these bulbs make in the early spring is indeed charming, and they are always appreciated more than any other class of flowers, for they come when most needed.

For garden culture bulbs do not need a very rich soil and are easily cared for. Plant in September, October or November, which are the best months. Late in the fall the beds can be covered with leaves or other coarse litter, which should be removed early in spring. After the bulbs are through flowering the leaves soon turn yellow and die, and are then ripe enough to be taken up and stored away for planting again in the fall, leaving the beds to be filled with other plants for the summer display, or, if desired, they can be left in the beds the whole year.

PREPARATION OF BEDS—Spade up so that the beds will be a little higher than the surface, so that water will readily drain off. If the soil is poor, add a liberal quantity of well-rotted manure.

TIME TO PLANT—September and October are the best months for planting bulbs in the garden, though it may be done in November and December. Set them from one to six inches apart, according to variety or size, and from one to three inches deep.

PROTECTION—After planting, the beds should be covered with leaves, straw or other coarse litter (as a mulch or protection), which should be removed when the bulbs start in early spring. This is not necessary to save the bulbs for most kinds are perfectly hardy in any situation without protection, but it is most advisable to do it, for it preserves the vitality of the bulbs to a great extent, and when in bloom you can notice that those which were protected will do twice as good as those which were not.

CHILDS' SELECTED HYACINTH BULBS.

Beyond doubt the Hyacinth is the Queen of Spring. Its hardiness, ease of culture, and certainty to bloom, would alone insure popularity, but has the additional merit of being one of the most decorative and ornamental of plants. Its massive spikes of waxen flowers are of the most perfect shape and most delicious fragrance, while its colors sport into a hundred shades, tints and blendings. Out of the long lists of Holland growers we have chosen the *very cream* of all varieties, either for pot or garden culture.

The bulbs here offered are not second size or inferior quality, but first-class in every respect, large and select.

POMPON HYACINTH.

Extra Mixed Hyacinths for Pots.

Here we offer finest Dutch named sorts, mixed. The bulbs are *extra large and fine*, selected particularly for winter blooming, and are as fine as the bulbs of our named sorts, and will give as good results for pot culture. $1.00 per dozen.

Mixed Named Hyacinths Under Color.

Double White,	Mixed.
" Red,	"
" Pink,	"
" Blue,	"
" Yellow,	"
Single White,	Mixed.
" Red,	"
" Pink,	"
" Blue,	"
" Yellow,	"

Price of above 10c. each; the 10 for 80c.; or either color at 85c. per dozen.

Mixed Hyacinths.

Our Mixed Hyacinths are not ordinary stock, but fine large bulbs which will give magnificent bloom either in the house or garden. We have marked prices down very low indeed.

	Per doz.	Per 100.
Single Mixed, all Colors, extra fine	.75	$4 50
Double Mixed, all Colors, extra fine	.75	4 50
Double and Single Mixed, extra fine	.65	4 00
Pompon Mixed, all Colors, double and single	.50	2 50
Roman Mixed, all Colors, double and single	.50	2 50

Pompon Hyacinths.

A class of Hyacinths with comparatively small bulbs, and, as they are usually compact growers, can be more cheaply grown than the larger bulbed class. While the spikes scarcely average as heavy as other Hyacinths, the difference is small, and many specimens are fully equal to the best of the latter. They are splendid for either garden or pots, while for cutting they are best of all. Every hue, shade and color is found among them; the flowers are large and wax-like, and the spikes airy and graceful. We offer them so low that they ought to be purchased by the dozen, for every plant window.

Mixed Pompon Hyacinths—All colors, double and single, 50c. per dozen; $2.50 per 100.

Roman Hyacinths.

Not at all like the Dutch or Show Hyacinths, though they do not suffer by comparison. The slender stems, arching beneath their load of daintily poised bells, are the acme of grace and elegance, while so many spikes are thrown up from each bulb that the whole plant appears a mass of bloom. Roman Hyacinths are extra good for cutting, and so early that they bloom by Christmas, or before, remaining in perfection nearly a month if the room is not kept too warm. They are extremely early and bloom in the garden with the Crocus. Two bulbs can be planted in a 4-inch pot, or 3 bulbs in a 5-inch pot. The bulbs we offer are extra large, and superb for winter blooming.

Single White—The most popular of all. Every window should have several pots of these. Exquisite bells, white as the driven snow and pleasantly fragrant. Never fails to bloom. Extra large.

Single Blue—Dark blue bells. About ten days later than the white with which it forms a fine contrast. A great bloomer. Extra large.

Double Light Pink—The double Roman Hyacinths are larger than the single sorts. This sort has elegant waxy bells of pale shell-pink.

Double Dark Pink—Like the above, but a beautiful, clear, bright rose. Spikes long and heavy for this class.

Price, Extra Large Bulbs, 6c. each; the 4 for 20c.; 3 each of the 4 for 60c. Either sort at 55c. per dozen.

Mixed Romans—50c. per dozen, $.250 per 100.

New Roman Hyacinths.

The following are exceedingly beautiful New Romans.

Single Red—Bright and showy color.

Single Yellow—Beautifully shaped bells in airy, graceful spikes; in color a soft, pleasing canary yellow. Really the finest of all yellow Hyacinths.

Double Blue—A fine shade and attractive variety.

Double White—This new double white sort needs no special praise to induce people to plant it. The spikes of bloom are large and fine, flower double, pure snow white and very fragrant.

Price of Large Select Bulbs, 15c.; 3 for 40c. One each of the 4 for 50c.; 3 of each for $1.25.

Best Single Hyacinths.

These are the finest sorts for pots or gardens, and the bulbs offered are every one of a select large size that will give magnificent results.

5 SPLENDID SORTS.

Amy—Quite early; fine spikes of medium-sized flowers of a deep, clear, carmine-red, glowing with richness.
Argus—Fine flower and spike. Dark blue with large white center. Extra.
Grand Marvel—A most beautiful sort. Large spikes of handsome blush-white bells. Few so fine as this.
Norma—Beautiful pink, very large, and an extra early bloomer. Exquisite.
Pure D'Or—Spikes of pretty corn-colored bells.

Price, 15c. each; the 5 for 60c.

5 EXTRA FINE SORTS.

Certrude—Tall, with heavy spikes of extra large flowers of a distinct shade of lilac-pink, turning to silver-rose, striped carmine. Extra fine.
Gigantea—Thick spikes and large bells of a beautiful flesh color. One of the grandest sorts.
King of the Blues—An enormous compact spike of bloom, of a deep indigo-blue color. In size and perfection this is one of the finest of all Hyacinths.
La Franchise—A magnificent variety. Large, long spikes of blush-white blossoms, turning afterward to a snowy-white; petals very broad, and flowers of great substance measuring two inches across.
Pieneman—A magnificent sort, with enormous sky-blue bells arranged in graceful spikes of great size.

Price, 20c. each; the 5 for 75c.

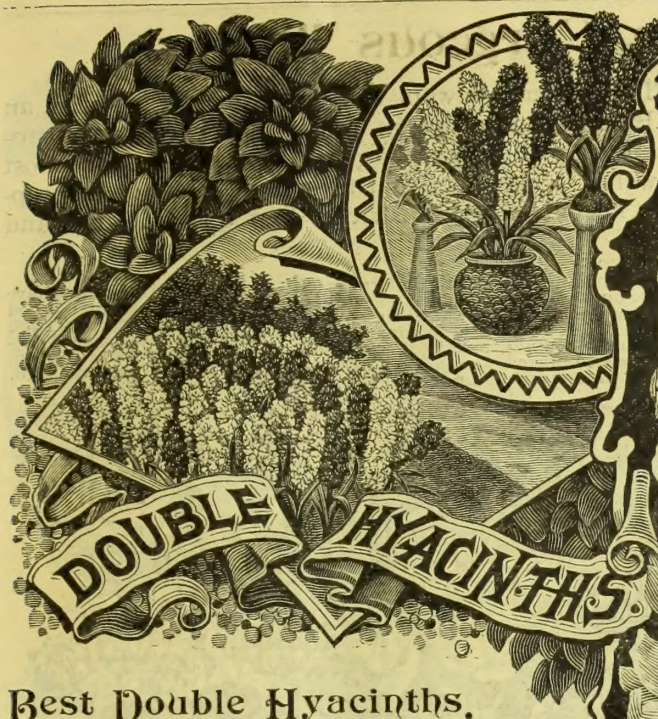
5 GRAND AND RARE SORTS.

La Grandesse—Finest single white. Very large spikes and bells. Color, clear waxy white.
Mammoth or Lily Hyacinth—A new sort with gigantic pendulous bells, each one of which is almost as large as a small lily and of the same shape. Color, white, delicately shaded blush. A large spike of these beautiful lily-like bells is indeed a most superb object.
Obelisque—A rare and exceedingly scarce variety, being the grandest of all yellow colors. Spike large and compact, while the color is the very best yellow.
Queen of the Blues—Enormous spike; one of the very largest of all Hyacinths. Beautiful light blue with silvery appearance.
Roi des Belges—Fine, massive spikes, crowded with flowers that open a rich self-carmine, gradually turning into a dark, glowing crimson. The brightest Hyacinth.

Price, 25c. each; the 5 for $1.00.

THE ABOVE 15 UNSURPASSED SORTS FOR $2.00.

Mixed Single Hyacinths—All Colors, extra large bulbs, 75c. per doz.; $4.50 per 100.



Best Double Hyacinths.

Grand select bulbs, grown especially for winter blooming, for which purpose each variety here offered is a real gem. Please remember that these bulbs are extra large and strong

5 SPLENDID SORTS.

Bouquettendre—Tall and compact truss; beautifully shaped florets of a tender rose color.

Bouquet Royal—Fine light pink or blush. Extra large spike and very beautiful.

Grootvorst—Compact truss, large and very double bells of blush-white, with a touch of lilac-rose at center.

La Virginiate—Spikes of tubular bells; soft blush-white.

Prince of Saxe Wiemar—Tall spikes of rich indigo-blue.

Price, 15c. each; the 5 for 60c.

5 EXTRA FINE SORTS.

Sunflower—Splendid large flower; one of the best yellows.

Lord Castlereagh—Very double; white, flushed with violet. A beautiful spike and very fragrant.

La Tour d'Auvergne—Very early flowering, and the best of all double whites. Florets large and wax-like and spikes of immense size. Very early to bloom and the finest double Hyacinth for pots.

Noble par Merite—Fine, compact spikes of large, double flowers, as perfect as little roses. A soft shell pink, gradually deepening into a deep peach carmine.

Othello—Fine deep indigo-black. A very fine and rare color of exceeding richness and beauty.

Price, 20c. each; the 5 for 75c.

5 GRAND AND RARE SORTS.

Milton—Fine compact spike of great size and magnificent color, being a deep dark red of peculiar richness. This is one of the very choicest varieties.

Lord Anson—Fine large spikes, florets of perfect form; color, soft blush lilac, delicate and pretty.

La Grandeur—The ideal double yellow variety. No other sort of the color can approach it in size and magnificence of spike and clear yellow tone of color.

Prince Albert—A most charming variety, of rich indigo-blue, and large double flowers. One of the very best.

Prince of Orange—Extra large and magnificent spike. Color, fine rosy crimson.

Price, 25c. each; the 5 for $1.00.

THE ABOVE 15 UNSURPASSED SORTS FOR $2.00.

Mixed Double Hyacinths—A fine mixture of all colors extra large bulbs at 75c. per doz.; $4.50 per 100.

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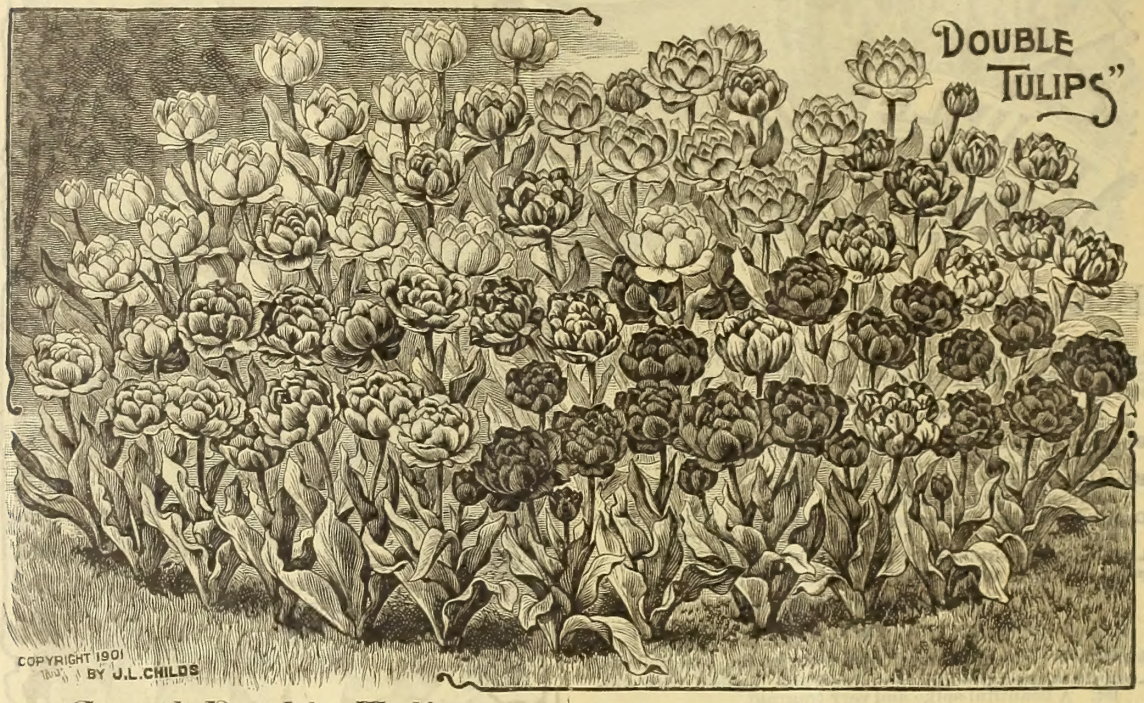
Specialties in Gorgeous Tulips.

We make a leading specialty of Tulips, our growers having furnished us with an enormous surplus of extra fine, select Bulbs at a sacrifice in price. We give our customers the benefit of this, and advise them to plant them largely. Tulips are the most gorgeous and satisfactory of spring flowers. Remember that these low prices do not represent second-class bulbs (we do not keep such), but strictly first quality, large and select in every way.

There is no question but that the Tulip is the most popular spring flower that grows. The soft, seductive breezes have scarce whispered in our ears that spring is at hand, ere our eyes, wearied of winter's dull, sombre, lifeless tints, are dazzled by a sudden blaze of Tulips in rainbow shades, ribboning the earth with warmth and color. From the first Duc Van Thol, scarce peeping above the ground, to the last Gesneriana Tulip, holding its flaming cup high aloft, there is a constant succession of Tulip beauties—single, double, dwarf, tall, early, medium, and late, with blossoms cup-shaped, star-formed, bowl-like, Pæony-flowered, imbricated like a Rose, or twisted, waved, and horned, like the plumage of some fantastic bird. No garden can be complete without plenty of Tulips. Have some of all kinds, they are so cheap.



Grand Double Tulips.

Double Tulips produce very large double flowers, many of which are as large and showy as a Pæony. The bright colors of the large double blossoms contrast splendidly and make a charming display.

8 VERY FINE SORTS.

Blue Flag—Late. Flowers beautiful shape; a distinct color of purple-blue.
Double Crown—Large and double flower. Dark cardinal-red with black shadings. One of the best.
Duke of York—Beautiful incurved flowers of poppy-red, broadly edged white.
Gloria Solus—Of enormous size and very double. Bright scarlet, edged yellow.
La Candeur—Large and double; wax-like pure white. Largely used for cemetery planting.
Ma Cousine—Of remarkable coloring. Carmine-violet, edged pink and flamed golden yellow and brick-red.
Rose La Reine—Fine rosy scarlet. A lovely color.
Yellow Rose—A magnificent sort, of very largest size and most perfect form. Deep, brilliant yellow.

Price, 5c. each; the 8 for 20c.; 3 each 50c.; or 25c. dozen.

8 EXTRA FINE DOUBLE TULIPS.

Alba Maxima—Enormous flowers, perfectly double like a Pæony, pure white in color, with delicate shadowy tinge of soft pink. Exceedingly fine.
Count de Leicester—Another very distinct and finely colored sort. Light orange feathered yellow.
Mariage de Ma Fille—Immense flower of the most perfect shape and superb coloring. Carmine-red, banded, striped, flaked and feathered with pure white.
Murillo—Large graceful flowers of flesh-white, bordered and clouded rose.
Queen Victoria—Blood-red. Very double.
Rex Rubrorum—Large double flowers of deepest scarlet. Very double and perfect.
Rose Blanche—Large incurved white; most perfect shape.
Salvator Rose—Gigantic size, elegant shape and of the loveliest soft rosy color, with pure white stripes.

Price, 5c. each; the 8 for 30c.; 3 each 75c.; or 35c. dozen.
THE 16 SORTS FOR 40c.

Splendid Mixed Double Tulips—All colors and varieties 25c. per doz.; $1.50 per 100; $12.00 per 1,000. Extra large bulbs.

Mixed Tulips.

Our mixed Tulips are of extra fine quality, being made up from first-class named sorts and much superior to the ordinary grades. All extra large bulbs.

	Per doz.	Per 100
Double Fine Mixed—All colors	25	$1 50
Single Fine Mixed—All colors	20	1 25
Parrot Fine Mixed—All colors	20	1 25
Byblooms Fine Mixed—All colors	25	1 50
Bizards Fine Mixed—All colors	20	1 25
Duc Van Thol, Fine Mixed—All colors	25	1 50

Darwin, Fine Mixed—These produce solid self colors and bloom early in May. The flowers are of great size and are borne on tall graceful stems. The colors are exceedingly rich and varied, ranging through all the shades of rose, deep red, violet, purple-blues to coal black. 35c per doz.; $2.25 per 100.

Single Tulips.

The Single Early Tulips are great for bedding and for winter blooming in pots. The following are the *very best kinds.*

FIVE VERY FINE SORTS.

Cardinal's Hat—Rich blood scarlet; gold tinted border.
Duchess of Parma—Extra large, early, and gloriously colored. Orange-yellow, shading to terra cotta, with fiery yellow and brown shadings. Bright and showy.
L'Immaculee—Beautiful snow-white flower with lemon eye.
Purple Crown—Fine cup-shaped flower of maroon-cardinal.
Van der Neer—A splendid large flower of a rare and lovely bright violet-color. Very distinct.

Price of above, 3c. each; the 5 for 10c; 3 of each 23c.; 25c. doz.

SIX EXTRA FINE SORTS.

Chrysolora—Very large flower and widely opened. Color, a splendid golden-yellow.
Color de Cardinal—Large cup-shaped blossom of a rich cardinal-red. Intensely brilliant.
Kaiser Kroon—Outside of each petal bright scarlet, broadly bordered yellow; inside deep yellow zoned with wide center band of velvety scarlet glowing like fire. Extra large size.
Miltiades—Large elegant flower, splendidly cupped. Pure white, exquisitely shaded and clouded with soft pink.
Silver Standard—Beautiful shaped flowers of a fresh carmine-scarlet, striped and feathered white. Very showy.
Wowerman—Extra large and fine. Deep magenta-red.

Price, 4c. each; the 6 for 20c.; 3 of each 50c.; 28c. per doz.

SIX RARE AND GRAND SORTS.

Cottage Maid or La Precieuse—Lovely pink and white, most charmingly suffused and feathered, of immense size, most unique in color and one of the loveliest Tulips that ever bloomed, either for pots or the garden.
Globe de Rigaud—Very large, round flowers of an odd lilac shade, freely striped and flaked pure white.
Joost Van Vondal—Beautiful glossy rose, deep rich red and pure snow-white, the colors mingled and blended together in a charming manner. One of the largest and very finest.
Proserpine—A grand flower and a superb color. Exquisite rosy scarlet, a shade not found in any other sort, and lovely beyond description. Of great size and beautifully cupped.
Verboom—Flower of gigantic size, and richest glowing scarlet-red. Extra early and fine in every way.
White Swan—Large, pure white flowers; extra fine for winter blooming.

Price 5c. each; the 6 for 25c.; 3 each 65c.; or 30c. per doz.

The above 17 sorts for only 40c.

MIXED SINGLE TULIPS.

Extra Fine Mixed Single Tulips, 20c. per doz.: $1.25 per 100: $10 per 1,000. All extra large bulbs.

Parrot Tulips.

A flower more bizarre, fantastic, or grotesque, would be hard to find. A bed or clump of them always attracts much attention. They are six, seven and elght inches across, with petals toothed, horned, twisted, and waved, now loosely incurved, now spread flatly out like a star. Some are yellow, some are crimson, or again dashed, flaked or feathered with green, gold or scarlet. Fine to plant among shrubbery, or for bedding. They grow ten inches in height, and bloom just after the double Tulips. Our Parrot Tulips are extra large bulbs, sure to bloom. Medium sized bulbs will not bloom well.

Constantinople—Fine deep crimson.
Gloriosa—Yellow, splashed and streaked crimson and green.
Perfecta—Gaily striped, yellow and red.
Lutea Major—Fine yellow.
Cramoise Brilliant—Deep, dark, rich ruby-crimson, with large, star-shaped, black center, 9 inches across. Grand.

Price, 4c. each; the 5 for 15c.; 30c. per dozen.

Fine Mixed Parrot Tulips—All varieties. Doz. 20c.; 100 $1.25.

Picotee Tulips.

These are quite new, and to our minds, the most exquisite of all. They bloom after the single early varieties, or about the same time as the Byblooms. Flowers very large and borne on tall graceful stems, like Gesneriana. Each petal has a distinct border of bright crimson, which is most beautiful, and gives them the name of "Picotee." They are extra fine for winter blooming and for the garden, but they will show the most color in the garden.

Picotee White—Exquisite wavy petals of large size; pure white with a fine border of crimson, which makes the flower exceptionally beautiful.
Picotee Yellow—Golden yellow with crimson edge.

PRICE—*5c. each; 6 (3 of each), for 25c.; 40c. per. doz.*

Tulipa Greigi.

Its large green leaves are variegated with black spots, flower of the largest size, transparent scarlet, as clear and beautiful as a sheet of wax. No other Tulip has a color like it, and none are so strikingly beautiful. Its magnificent color shows up almost like a torch in a dark night. 15c. each; 3 for 40c.

Sweet Scented Tulips.

A new class of Tulips with a charming fragrance, as well as beauty and brilliancy. Customers will be delighted with them either for pots or garden

Florentina—Large, golden-yellow; very sweet. Buds, when closed, look like an enormous Tea Rose.
Macrospila—Brilliant red, with dark, zone-like center, bordered yellow. Size of Tulip Gesneriana.
Persica—A rare and curious variety. A bulb will send up one stem, on which is borne two or three blossoms. These blossoms are golden yellow in color, and open out flat, being when so opened, perfectly star-shaped. Very pretty and interesting.

6c. each; the 3 for 15c.; 50c. doz.

Tulipa Gesneriana.

The grandest Tulip in existence. Tall growing and late blooming, with large, long leaves, and tall, erect flower stalks, which support great waxen blooms larger than tea cups, of the most vivid, glossy, coral red, each flower showing a deep blue-black blotch at the base, that further enhances its beauty. They remain in bloom a long time, and clumps of this grand flower are particularly fine planted among evergreens or shrubbery, lighting up their sombre background as with a a flaming torch.

Scarlet, Blue Center—The true Gesneriana, as described above.

Golden Yellow—Exactly like the above, except a golden yellow color. A superb novelty.

PRICE, *5c. each; 3 for 10c; 12 for 35c.*

BIZARD & BYBLOOM TULIPS.

Bizard and Bybloom Tulips.

It seems strange these are not more commonly grown, for their large, cup-like blossoms, feathered and flaked as only a Tulip can be, are always admired more than any other. Byblooms have white, light or violet grounds, flaked and feathered, rose, lilac, pink, purple, violet, scarlet, black and crimson. Bizards have yellow grounds, flamed and blazed maroon, black, scarlet, bronze and brown. We offer a fine mixture of every imaginable color and marking. We know our customers, if they could but see a bed of these in their gorgeous splendor, could not resist planting them.

Byblooms—White ground, variegated with various colors. Fifty finest sorts, mixed, 4c. each; 3 for 10c.; 12 for 25c.

Bizards—Yellow ground, variegated. Fifty fine sorts, mixed, 3c. each; 4 for 10c.; 12 for 20c.; 100 for $1.25.

"DUC VAN THOL" TULIPS.

Duc Van Thol Tulips.

These are the best of all for house culture and the first of all to bloom out of doors. They are noted for the depth and purity of their colors and as they bloom two weeks in advance of all other Tulips, are quite indispensable in the garden, as well as the house for winter.

Crimson—Fine for contrast.

Gold Striped—Scarlet, striped gold.

Rose—White, shaded with clear rose. Delicate and beautiful.

Scarlet—Brilliant, dazzling scarlet.

Violet—Lovely violet-crimson, white border. Very dstinct and handsome.

White—A fine pure color.

Orange—A fine bedder.

Vermillion-Fine bright color

Variegated Foliage—Foliage finely variegated with white, and fine violet-colored blossoms.

Double—These are popular for house culture, as they are so certain to bloom, and so early and fine. No other double Tulips are as well adapted to pot culture. They are very brilliant, and being double remain perfect a long time, Color, red and yellow.

PRICE—*5c. each; the 10 for 25c.; 30c. per dozen.*

Mixed Duc Van Thol Tulips—All colors, 25c. per doz.; $1.50 per 100.

The Narcissus.

The Narcissus is fast becoming a rival to the Hyacinth and Tulip. The massive spikes of the one and the vivid colors of the other are missing, but the Narcissus,—the Daffodil of the poets— has charms of its own to counter-balance these. For cutting or wearing it is the best of the three, being by far the best vase flower in the spring. Most of the garden sorts are particularly showy in masses, and do not require frequent resetting to keep in vigor and flower, needing no care, in fact, beyond the planting. Others of this family are among our best pot bulbs, their clustered stars and stately trumpets of white and cream, lemon, orange and yellow, giving variety, fragrance and warmth of color to our window gardens. In pots they may be had in bloom from Christmas until April. Out of doors from the earliest to the latest they last fully two months. Our collection is a particularly choice one and *true to name*. We offer our bulbs at a low price to encourage extensive planting. Try a few bulbs, both for the house and garden. They will prove so beautiful and increase so rapidly you will feel doubly repaid for your outlay. They can be grouped along the border of shrubbery, or at the foot of rockeries, or under trees. Everyone should have early, medium and late sorts, as well as some of each of different types.

10 FINE SINGLE NARCISSUS, CHEAP.

Leedsi—A lovely airy sort, pure white perianth, straw cup.

Trumpet Major—Golden yellow. One of the best for massing. Fine also for winter blooming. Early.

Stella—A favorite vase or corsage flower. One of the best for house culture. Extra large, star-like flowers, creamy white, with clear yellow cup. Early.

Princeps—Elegant large trumpet of a delicate canary yellow, and large, sulphur-white perianth. One of the most elegant and beautiful of all Narcissus. A very early bloomer, and extra fine either for garden or for winter blooming in pots. Plant it largely.

Nana—The lovely dwarf golden Daffodil.

Incomparabilis Simplex—The fine old golden Daffodil

Van Sion, Single—Lovely yellow; very early bloomer.

Poeticus, Pure White—With scarlet-edged crown. Very fragrant. Late.

Poeticus Ornatus—Fine for either garden or pots. Blooms three weeks earlier than the old Poeticus, and is even larger and finer.

Poeticus Poetarum—Pure white with scarlet cup.

PRICE—*5c. each; any 3 for 10c.; the 10 for 30c. Any one variety at 30c. per doz. $1.75 per 100; $15.00 per 1,000.*

7 GRAND AND RARE SINGLE NARCISSUS.

The following are extra fine, including the very choicest English sorts that are so exceedingly beautiful.

Golden Spur—Flower 4½ to 5 inches across and nearly as long. Petals of the perianth broad and smooth, long and widely flared trumpet, with deeply frilled and furrowed border.

Sir Watkins—Is of the chalice-flower type, or half-trumpet form. A gigantic flower, 4 or 5 inches across, with broad wing-like petals that shade from canary yellow at the tips to golden yellow base. Cup, golden yellow.

Horsfieldi—Enormous yellow trumpet, white perianth.

Praecox—Large, trumpet-shaped flower of a pure white color throughout. The blossoms are of exquisite shape and pendulous or nodding, unlike any other sort.

Emperor—Broad, rich yellow trumpet, perianth deep primrose. Its foliage is very strong and the blooms enormous.

Empress—Possesses the same gigantic size and fine form of Emperor, but with golden perianth and white trumpet.

Cyclamen Flowered—An elegant variety, bearing several white, Cyclamen-like flowers on a stem. Novel and perfectly elegant, especially for pots.

PRICE, *8c. each; any 3 for 20c.; the 7 for 40c.; or 60c. per dozen.*

MIXED NARCISSUS.

All sorts of Double and Single, many varieties, and will make a magnificent bed, blooming year after year. Per dozen, 30c.; per 100, $1.50.

Fine Double Narcissus.

Incomparable fl. pl.—Beautiful Gardenia-like flowers, and very double. The large outer petals are sulphur yellow, the small center petals of sulphur and orange. Very early.

Albo Pleno Odorato—A pure white flower; very double.

Sulphur Phœnix—Enormous, pure white. Extra fine.

Orange Phœnix—Nearly pure white outer petals. Center well filled with mixed white and deep orange colors.

Van Sion fl. pl.—Old, but unexcelled. Extra fine for cutting.

5c. each; the 5 for 20c.; any variety at 40c. per dozen.

Three Grand Narcissus.

For winter blooming few bulbs are so popular and so largely grown as the Paper White Grandiflora and Double Roman Narcissus. Realizing their importance, we have, by special contract, secured from France a quantity of bulbs of each, which are of EXTRA SIZE AND STRENGTH, especially for pot culture, and the amount and beauty of blooms from these fine bulbs will be far greater than from ordinary ones.

Paper White Grandiflora—An improvement on the common Paper White, the flowers being about twice the size, of beautiful star-like form, pearly whiteness and delicious fragrance. It is a very early and profuse bloomer, and can be had in full beauty at Christmas and New Year's. One of the very finest of winter-blooming bulbs.

Double Roman, White—This is one of the most beautiful and fragrant of all the Narcissus family. It is grown so extensively in Palestine and Turkey, that it is known as the Sacred Narcissus of Constantinople. In Jerusalem it is the leading favorite of all flowers. Flowers very double, pure white with yellow center and borne in large clusters. Its fragrance is superb, and blooms very early and freely either in pots or the open ground. A grand winter bloomer.

Double Roman, Yellow—Like the above, but yellow. New, offered now for first time.

Price of above extra large select bulbs 10c. each; the 3 for 25c.; 12 for 75c.

Polyanthus Narcissus.

These are considered the best of all Narcissus for pot culture, and by many esteemed the most beautiful. By starting the dry bulbs at intervals from September until January, a succession of flowers can be secured from Christmas until the first of May. No trouble to grow. Treat as you would Hyacinths. The flowers of this class are borne in large clusters and are exceedingly fragrant, like orange blossoms.

Grand Soile d'Or—This has every possible merit, without a fault. A medium early bloomer that lasts a full month in flower. Large clusters of exceedingly pretty flowers of a clear lemon with deep orange cup. Very fragrant.

Juane Supreme—Extra fine dark yellow.

Queen Victora—Very early and extra large and fine. Pure white; exquisite fragrance.

Newton—Fine yellow with deep orange cup. Extra free bloomer.

PRICE—*7c. each; 3 for 20c.; the 4 for 25c.; 65c. per dozen.*

MIXED POLYANTHUS NARCISSUS.

We have a mixture of these splendid pot flowers, and at the very low price of 3 for 15c.; 12 for 50c.; 25 for $1.00.

Narcissus Paper White "Giant."

This new sort is offered now for the first time. It is like Grandiflora in all respects, except it is much larger and better in every way. A very important addition to our winter flowering Bulbs. May he had in bloom as early as Thanksgiving. 20c. each: 3 for 50c.

Jonquils.

These dainty flowers are a gleam of gold when in bloom and large clumps or masses of them are always admired. They are extra fine for pots, from their beautiful color, profusion and delightful fragrance and they flower very early in the window. In the garden they are perfectly hardy, and their lovely blossoms appear almost as soon as Crocus.

Single—Very dainty pure gold and exquisite fragrance.

Double—Perfect little golden roses of the most exquisite beauty and fragrance. Nothing finer for bouquets.

Giant Odorous—We think this one of the finest yellow-flowered bulbs on our list. Flowers twice the size of other Jonquils, but retaining the same beautiful color and handsome shape, together with profusion of bloom. Its fragrance is lovely beyond description.

5c. each; 3 for 12c.; 12 for 40c.

Giant Flowered Crocus.

A few special extra large-flowering sorts of which we offer extra fine bulbs either for winter blooming or for garden planting.

Giant White—Enormous pure white lily-like blossoms.

Giant Yellow—Gigantic bulbs which produce large golden blossoms in great masses.

Giant Striped (Lord Fielding)—Great blossoms beautifully striped violet on white ground.

Giant Blue (Sir J. Franklin)—Largest and finest blue.

PRICE *of above Crocus 3c. each; 20c. per dozen. One each of the 4 sorts for 10c.; 3 each for 25c.; 12 each for 80c.*

Giant-Flowered Mixed—This strain is a special mixture of the best new sorts and improved seedlings, prepared for us in Holland by those who make a specialty of these bulbs. Only those sorts with the largest flowers and best colors are admitted in the mixture. Either for garden or house this Crocus mixture cannot be surpassed. Crocus for the house do not thrive under dry heat or gas, but do well in any sunny window of moderate temperature; they can even be grown in rooms almost destitute of fire heat. This strain of Crocus will be to our customers a revelation of beauty such as they cannot anticipate. Try them, both in the garden and in pots, by all means. Do not miss the beautiful treat they will afford you. 15c. per dozen; $1.00 per 100.

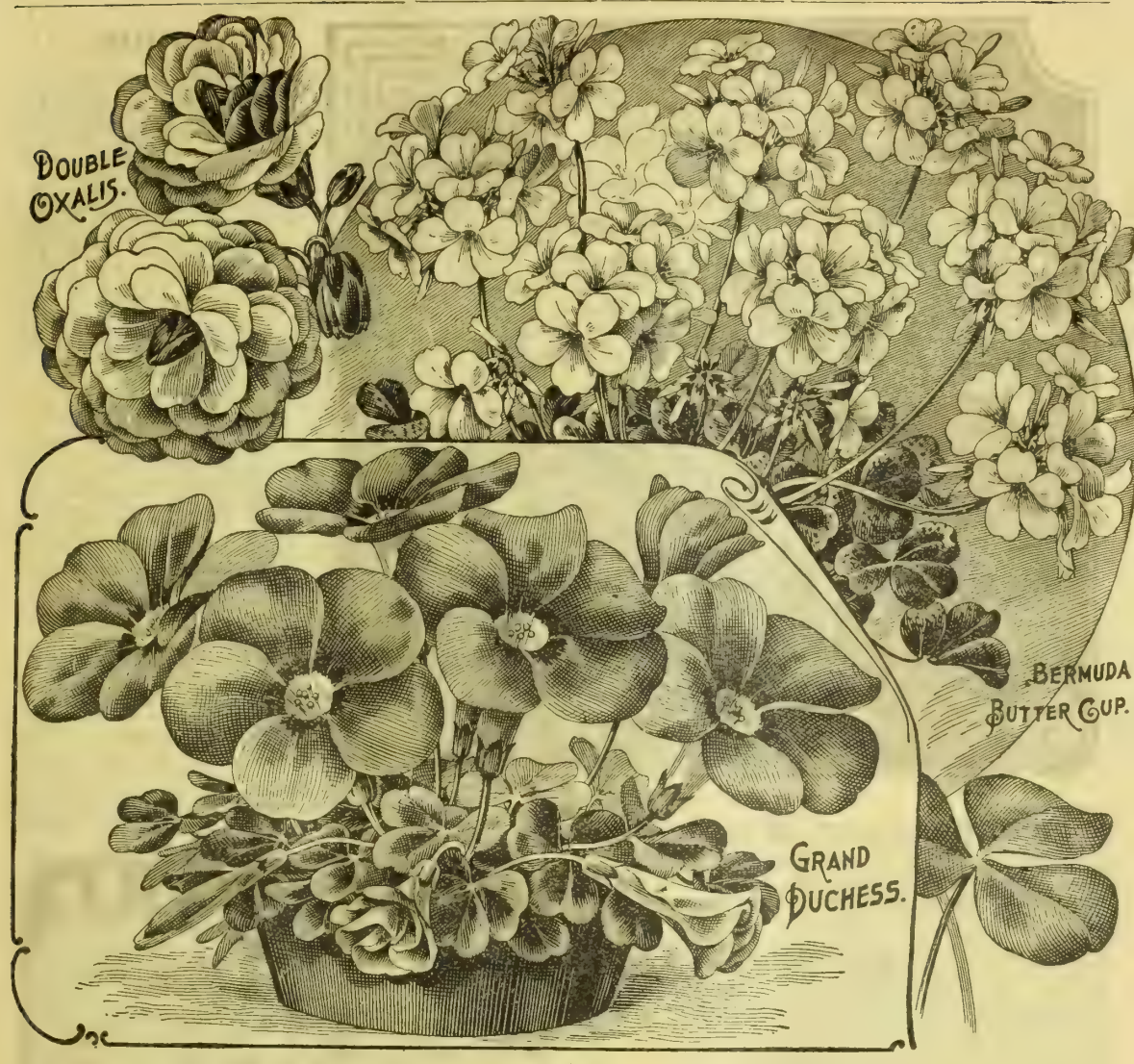
New Crocus Liliaceus Superbus.

Quite a distinct and new color among Crocus, and one of supreme loveliness. The large, beautifully shaped flowers are of a pure light blue color, with a distinct white edge to each petal. 5 for 10c.; 20c. per dozen.

Select Crocus.

The Crocus is the recognized harbinger of spring. Between the lulls of late winter's tempest its brave little flowers first appear, minding not the least frosts or flurries of snow. For six weeks its bright flowers smile saucily at us, quite sure of their welcome. Their cost is so trifling that all can afford to plant them freely. The Crocus has been much improved late years in size of blooms and variety of colorings. Crocus are extra fine for borders, etc., and are particularly charming dotted by twos and threes over the lawn. They come in earliest spring and peep through the grass, as the wild flowers do in the meadow.

Fine Mixed Crocus—Of all colors. Fine, select bulbs, 10c. per dozen; 60c. per 100; $4.00 per 1,000.



Oxalis.

These varieties of Oxalis are all for winter blooming. They make the most beautiful hanging pots and baskets, producing a mass of flowers all winter, which, in brilliant and beautiful colors are truly charming. Winter-blooming Oxalis are always sure to please. Plant five or six bulbs in a 6-inch pot. They commence growth immediately after planting and need not be set away to form roots like most other bulbs. They bloom during the entire winter, a thing we can expect of very few plants or bulbs, and are for that reason doubly worthy of a place in every collection of winter-blooming bulbs. Our bulbs are particularly fine, and the Grand Duchess, Bermuda Buttercup, and Versicolor will be found to be exceedingly showy and free blooming.

Bermuda Buttercup—A fine, robust-growing, large-flowering sort from Bermuda. Blooms in enormous panicles, each flower being as large as a silver half-dollar and of a clear bright yellow color. Bulbs commence blooming soon after planting and continue all winter without a break. Easily grown in any window and a most satisfactory winter bloomer.

Multiflora Alba-A good sort producing pure white blossoms.

Bowi—Extra large brilliant red blossoms and luxuriant foliage. One of the very best.

Lutea Major—Bright golden yellow in large clusters. One of the most magnificent.

Versicolor—The prettiest of all. Beautiful foliage and compact growth with an abundance of large pearly-white blossoms, each petal having a wide border of brilliant scarlet, a combination which is truly charming.

PRICE *of all the above 5c. each; 3 of any one kind for 10c.; 12 for 30c. One bulb each of the 5 fine sorts, 20c.*

Mixed Oxalis, 25 Sorts—A fine mixture of a great variety of fine winter-blooming sorts. 15c. per doz.; $1.00 per 100.

The Grand Duchess Oxalis.

This is entirely new, offered in 1889 for the first time. There is no doubt about its being the grandest Oxalis, and one of the most beautiful and taking winter flowers it is possible to have. Blossoms immense, 3 inches across, borne well above the foliage, and of the most lovely pink color; leaves, large clover-shaped and handsome. A most persistent bloomer, remaining constantly in flower from November to June. Surely one of the most exquisite and satisfactory of all winter-blooming bulbs. We have three colors to offer, bright pink, lavender, and pure white.

Grand Duchess Pink—Enormous size, bright rosy-pink. Finest recent novelty, and has been widely advertised. It is one of the best and most beautiful flowers for winter.

Grand Duchess White—New; pure snow white. A grand contrast to the above.

Lavender—A fine large flower of a unique lavender color. Plant has a branching habit, not so compact as the white or pink.

PRICE—*6c. each; the 3 for 15c.; or 50c. per dozen. 3 each of the 3 sorts for 50c.*

Double Yellow Oxalis.

(DOUBLE BUTTERCUP.)

This is exactly like the lovely Buttercup Oxalis except that the flowers are as double and perfect as a Rose. One of the finest flowers for winter blooming, a perfect gem in every respect. It continues in flower all winter. Fine true bulbs, 5c. each; 3 for 15c.; 12 for 50c.

ALLIUM NEAPOLITANUM GIANT.

Allium.

Hardy and fine garden flowers for early spring, but Neapolitanum is one of the very finest winter flowers for pots. Plant a good lot of them, they are so fine for cutting, and the flowers may be used in many ways.

Neapolitanum—People like it because it is so sure to bloom and so daintily pretty. It is hardy out of doors, but indoors is one of the easiest of all bulbs to grow. Three or four can be placed in a 4-inch pot. The stems rise to a height of eighteen inches, bearing beautiful umbels of fine starry white flowers that remain perfect a month.

Hermetti—Like the above but of a pinky-white color.

Moly—Bright golden yellow.

2 *for* 5c.; 12 *for* 15c.; 100 *for* $1.00. 3 *each of the* 3 *sorts*, 15c.

Neapolitanum Giant—A new improved type offered now for the first time. As may be seen by the cut it is large and fine, and a great bloomer, much superior to the old Neapolitanum. Each bulb will produce a wonderful amount of large snow white flowers in beautiful compact clusters. One of the very finest of all winter flowers. 5c. each, 3 for 10c., 7 for 20c., 12 for 30c.

Erythronium Hartwegii.

This new variety is the finest yet introduced and should be extensively planted for winter blooming as well as for the garden. Perfectly hardy. Flowers very large, light yellow borne on long, slender stems, each bulb sending up 5 or 6 blooms as shown in cut. Foliage as well as the blossoms is exceedingly handsome and several bulbs will make a most unique and graceful pot of bloom. Fine large bulbs, 6c. each; 3 for 12c.; 12 for 50c.

Ornithogalum Arabicum.

It is a native of Arabia. Bulb large and solid, closely resembling that of Hyacinth, and requiring exactly the same culture; leaves long and narrow, flower spike 18 to 24 inches high, long and graceful, bearing an immense cluster of large pearly-white flowers, having a jet-black center. The illustration gives a good idea of its great beauty. The individual flowers keep perfect many weeks before fading, so that for more than a month this grand spike of bloom is in full glory. Its durability is almost without equal among flowers. Add to this its delicate aromatic fragrance and we have a winter bloomer which all must admit stands without a rival. Its culture is the easiest, as it will grow in any position in any window. A bulb can be planted in a four-inch pot, or several in a large pot or box. Extra large bulbs, 10c. each; 3 for 25c.

Colchicum.

After its foliage dies down in September it throws up numerous gay-colored flowers, large and showy. Will bloom at once if placed upon a shelf, even if perfectly dry. 6c. each; 3 for 15c.; 12 for 50c.

Iris Hispanica.

Magnificent plants both for pots and the garden. They bloom early and profusely, and are exceedingly showy. The colors are brilliant and cover a large range of different shades and combinations. Four or five bulbs planted in a 5-inch pot make a beautiful display for a long time in winter, and are absolutely sure to bloom well in any situation, treated like Hyacinths. In the open ground they are perfectly hardy, increase rapidly and make a magnificent display. It is really one of the most satisfactory of all Holland bulbs, and as they are very cheap we advise planting them largely.

All Colors Mixed—2 for 5c.; 12 for 15c.; 100 for $1.00.
Pure White—Large and fine.
Pure Yellow—Rich deep golden.
Blue—A fine rich shade.
Thunderbolt—Bronzy black; extra large.

4c. each; the 4 for 12c.; 35c. per doz.

Snowdrops.

The earliest flower that blooms, and of such hardiness that it minds neither sleet nor snow. Its nodding white flowers are exceedingly graceful and pretty. It is especially fine when planted in clumps and masses to contrast with the deeply blue masses of the Scilla. Much used also for lawns.

Elwesii, The Giant Snowdrop—The grace and beauty of the large blossoms is enchanting, but what can we say of its fragrance, it is rich and so delicate, unlike any other flower, and really second to none. This fine new Snowdrop was introduced recently from the mountains of Smyrna. It is three times as large and fine as the common variety, and a great acquisition, either for the garden or for pots. Price, 2 for 5c.; 12 for 20c.; 100 for 85c.
Double Giant—Fine double flowers. 4c. each; 3 for 10c.; 12 for 25c.

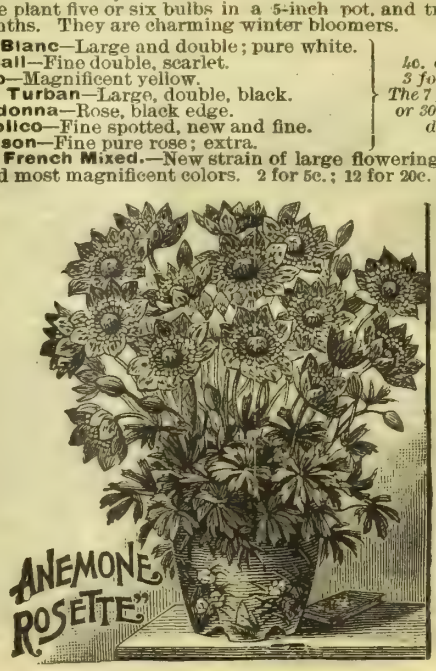
Giant Ranunculus.

We know of no other low-priced bulb that is so shamefully neglected. Their long, wiry stems fit them admirably for cutting, and for late spring bedding they have few equals, blooming, as they do, so freely, and bridging over the gap between the Tulips and the early garden flowers. For this purpose plant them three or four inches apart and two inches deep, with the claws downward. They bear the most lovely flowers imaginable—pink, white, black, yellow, red, blush, and variegated, each about two inches in diameter, and as double and as perfectly imbricated as a Dahlia or Rose. After the foliage turns yellow the bulbs should be lifted and not replaced until late in the fall, or they will spring up before winter. Always choose a sheltered location. For house culture plant five or six bulbs in a 5-inch pot, and treat as Hyacinths. They are charming winter bloomers.

Mont Blanc—Large and double; pure white.
Fire Ball—Fine double, scarlet.
Apollo—Magnificent yellow.
Black Turban—Large, double, black.
Belladonna—Rose, black edge.
Rockolico—Fine spotted, new and fine.
Robinson—Fine pure rose; extra.

4c. each; 3 for 10c. The 7 for 20c. or 30c. per doz.

Giant French Mixed.—New strain of large flowering habit and most magnificent colors. 2 for 5c.; 12 for 20c.



Anemones.

Very beautiful and brilliant spring flowering bulbs, which should be found in all gardens. They possess a beautiful range of very fine colors, such as brilliant scarlet, red, blue, rose, striped, carnation, etc. For pot cultute they are very fine indeed. The time has now come for Anemones to be grown extensively, both for winter blooming and for the garden. For either purpose they are magnificent.

Rosette of Nice—Very distinct and beautiful, fine rosy pink; very early and profuse bloomer. 2 for 5c.; 12 for 20c.
Double Mixed—All colors. 3 for 5c.; 15c. per dozen
Single Mixed—All colors. 3 for 5c.; 15c. per dozen.

Fritillaria Meleagris.

The newer varieties of this charming bulbous plant produce flowers of great and peculiar beauty and they are really among the most desirable of all fall bulbs for any purpose. They are superb for flowering in pots during winter, and for early spring blooming in the garden. The large, curiously colored flowers always attract great attention. They are of various colors and shades, but all are regularly but distinctly checkered. 2 for 5c.; 20c per dozen.

Triteleia Uniflora.

This is the "Starflower," now becoming so popular for both winter and spring blooming. The flowers are white, tipped and faintly striped lilac-blue, and are remarkably sweet-scented. A fine window plant if several bulbs are planted to a pot, as they bloom steadily for two months, and need no fussing with to succeed. One of the most charming fairy-like white flowers for winter or for the garden. Price, 2 for 5c.; 20c, per dozen.

Camassia Esculenta.

A beautiful bulbous plant with tall spikes of fine blue flowers in late spring. Several can be planted in a pot together for winter blooming, and will make a fine display. In the garden they increase rapidly and soon show great masses of their star-like flowers. Fine to cut for vases or large bouquets. A remarkably fine winter-bloomer often called Celestial Lily. Try a good lot of them, both for pots and the garden. 3c. each; 4 for 10c.; 12 for 25c.

Brodiaeas.

These are well adapted for winter blooming. The flowers are of various forms, colors and sizes, all exceedingly interesting and beautiful, and of the easiest culture. In the open ground they are hardy with slight protection, but their greatest value is for winter blooming in pots. They are so little known or cultivated that they are exceedingly interesting as pot plants. Their flowers are odd and beautiful and produced freely. Mixed bulbs of all sorts 2 for 5c.; 20c. per dozen.

Scilla Siberica.

Hardy and fine. Blooms at the very edge of winter, and laughs at storms and sleets. Beautiful spikes of deepest blue flowers, freely produced and for a long time. Everyone who possesses a foot of ground ought to grow this. It should always be planted in groups, either in house or open ground. Nothing finer for pots. 2 for 5c.; 20c. per doz.

Calochortus.

The flowers are very large, borne on long stems and are of the most charming butterfly color, white, yellow, buff, crimson, purple, spotted and shaded in a charming manner. For winter bloom they require only to be potted (4 or 5 in a five-inch pot.) and treated like Hyacinth or Crocus. When in bloom they will be a marvel of beauty and last a long time.

Splendid Mixed—All colors large and small. 2 for 5c.; 12 for 25c.

Star of Bethlehem.

A superb bulb for winter blooming in pots, or for the garden. Perfectly hardy, and blooms early in spring. Flowers star-shaped, pure white and borne in clusters. For pots it blooms a long time in midwinter and is very attractive. Try it by all means, both for garden and for pots; it will be sure to please you greatly. 2 for 5c.; 12 for 20c.

Ixias.

The Ixias produce their beautiful flowers in spikes, and are of the most dazzling and brilliant colors and sure to attract great attention. For pot culture in the house they give great satisfaction, being of easy culture and free bloomers. Half a dozen bulbs may be planted in a five-inch pot, and the display will be magnificent. For open ground culture give them winter protection with leaves or straw. Mixed, all colors, 2 for 5c.; 20c. per dozen.

Sparaxis.

The blossoms are very large and open flat, presenting some of the most curious and beautiful combinations of colors to be found. Their exceeding beauty at once captivates all beholders, and it is difficult to find a pot of flowers which will be more generally admired or bloom better than a pot of these fascinating Sparaxis. They require the same treatment as Ixias or Freesias. 2 for 5c.; 12 for 20c.

Snowflake.

The airily poised blossoms of the Snowflake are exceedingly graceful. The snowy bells are touched at each petal tip with freshest green, a contrast most beautiful. Can be grown in a cool window, in the border, or at the foot of the rockery. Grow about nine inches high. For pots they are good, but do not bloom early. Give them time to develop slowly and they will be superb. 5c. each; 3 for 10c.; 12 for 35c.

Cockade Hyacinth.

A real curiosity. First, a frizzed, cockade-like spike, an inch or two in length, appears above the soil, and as it slowly rises on its long stalks, it becomes five or six times as long as at first, developing into a long, feathery blue plume, and lasting for weeks in that condition. One of those pretty, odd things that everybody likes. Perfectly hardy in the garden, and fine for pots. In fact, one of the best and oddest winter flowers. 5c. each; 3 for 12c.; 12 for 40c.

Hyacinthus Belgicus.

A distinct species, with graceful spikes of good-sized bell-shaped blossoms. It is equally adapted to garden or pots, producing a mass of bloom that is very striking and beautiful. Should be planted in masses to produce the best effect. Five or six bulbs may be planted in a five-inch pot, and will need no more care than other Hyacinths. There are three colors, white, pink and violet. Price of mixed bulbs, 3c. each; 2 for 5c.; 12 for 20c.

Chionodoxa.

(GLORY OF THE SNOW.)

The purest, clearest tones of blue are to be found in these flowers, that appear so early that they are often overtaken by winter's last forays. Blue is always a scarce color among house plants, and as the Chionodoxa succeed well in the house, a pot or two of them should be grown in every window. Their greatest value, however, is for garden planting. Here they form great clumps that in early spring are a cloud of dainty blue sprays. Mixed colors, 2 for 5c.; 20c. per doz.

Grape Hyacinths.

One of the sweetest little flowers imaginable, and in masses very striking, making a wave of intensest blue that catches every eye. As hardy as an oak, and as it increases rapidly should be planted in every garden. Its spikes are just the size for button-hole bouquets, while its long stems enable it to be used to advantage in all bouquets or cut-flower work. If you want a "pot of blue," that will make your window a thing of beauty for a month in midwinter, plant half a dozen bulbs in a 5-inch pot, and treat as other Hyacinths, and you will have your desire. They never fail to bloom, each bulb sending up two or more flower-stalks.

Sky Blue—Most fairy-like.
Indigo Blue—Tipped white.
Snow White—Milky white.

3c. each: 15c. per dozen; $1.00 per 100; 3 each of 3 sorts, 15c.

Freesias.

A new class of Bulbs, splendidly adapted to winter-blooming, and are, we believe, the most popular winter-blooming bulbs for amateurs. They are always sure to succeed and bloom elegantly for anyone in any situation, and the great beauty and fragrance of the flowers are everywhere admired. The blossoms or buds when cut and placed in vases of water will keep perfect two weeks. In pots they commence blooming early and continue for a long time, the stems branching freely and producing several clusters of bloom in succession. Four to six bulbs can be planted in a 5-inch pot. They commence growth immediately after planting and need not be put away to form roots like Hyacinths, unless it is more convenient to do so. Planting successively from September to November will give a succession of bloom through the winter. Their free growth, abundant bloom, delicate beauty and charming fragrance will be a surprise and delight to all. The bulbs we supply are extra large and strong.

Snowstorm—(NEW).—A splendid novelty. Flowers of large size, beautiful shape, and borne abundantly in magnificent large sprays. Pure snow white, and highly fragrant. Strong bulbs, 6c. each; 3 for 15c.; 12 for 50c.

Various Colored Grandiflora—A grand new strain possessing many tints, colors and variegations. Not only are the white and yellow colors seen, but pink, orange, violet, primrose, canary and some purple shades. The flowers are of gigantic size and borne in extra large clusters. The fragrance is rich and powerful. All colors mixed, 5c. each; 6 for 20c.; 12 for 35c.; 25 for 60c.

Refracta Alba—Pure white, very sweet and popular. Fine large bulbs. 2 for 5c.; 15c. per doz; $1.25 per 100.

Mammoth French—Bulbs of enormous size. The magnitude of bloom which one of these bulbs will give is perfectly astonishing. 5c. each; 3 for 10c.; 12 for 35c.

Sacred Lilies.

Chinese Sacred Lily-The greatest and most popular winter-blooming bulb. They are very large, and each one sends up from five to twelve spikes, which bear clusters of large, perfect, waxy-white blossoms with a yellow center, and of a powerful and delicious fragrance, which is not excelled by any flower. They grow well in pots of soil; but the most popular way of blooming them is the Chinese method, as follows: Fill a bowl or some similar vessel with pebbles, in which place the bulb, setting it about one-half its depth, so that it will be held firmly; then fill with water to the top of the pebbles, and place in a warm, sunny window. The bulb will at once commence a rapid growth and bloom in three weeks. 12c. each; 3 for 30c.

Improved Chinese Sacred Lily—This is a much larger bulb than the above; will produce twice as many flowers and of a larger size and finer quality. The bulbs will not be ready so early as the common kind for it requires more time to grow, mature and cure them. That is one reason why they are so much better. We advise our friends to plant this variety, for we know it will be so much better than the common and cheaper one. Bulbs may not be ready till end of October. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Japanese Double Sacred Lily—Fine, large clusters of double blossoms. Pure white with orange center. 12c. each; 3 for 30c.

Golden Sacred Lily—As compared with the Chinese Sacred Lily this produces a much larger flower, though the bulb is smaller. Its fragrance is even better and its color a deep, glowing yellow. 5c. each; 6 for 25c.

Lily of the Valley.

We offer strong imported pips that have been grown especially for winter blooming. Plant half a dozen in a four-inch pot, keep rather cool until well started, then bring to the light and warmth, and keep freely supplied with water. You will be surprised at the rapidity of growth and the size of their lovely, fragrant bells. 6 for 25c.; 12 for 40c.; 30 for $1.00.

Double White and Pink Lily of Valley.

We can supply this fall two charming new sorts of Lily of the Valley. Roots ready in November.

Double White—Large double bells of snowy whiteness. Very fine, new and valuable. 3 for 20c.; 12 for 60c.

Single Pink—Like the common white but of a fine pink color. 3 for 20c.; 12 for 60c.

6 of each for 60c.

CALLA FRAGRANS.

New Sweet-Scented Calla, Fragrans.

A fine novelty. It seems to be identical with Childs' Dwarf Everblooming, possessing the additional charm of delicious fragrance. This new Calla was originated by Luther Burbank, of California, who speaks of it thus: "The plants are of medium size, compact in growth and bloom profusely. It has not only a most charming flower produced in a profusion never before surpassed, but also with a genuine, sweet, lasting fragrance all its own, but similar to the fragrance of Violets or Lilies." With us it has proved a great success and we have a large stock of it. The description of our Dwarf Everblooming is a correct description of ***Fragrans*** also, adding only its additional merit of sweet scent. Fine plants, 25c. each; 3 for 60c.

Calla, Little Gem.

A perfect miniature Calla, growing 8 or 12 inches high, and producing very large snow-white blossoms. It is in truth a perfect little gem. 15c. each; 3 for 30c.

Giant California Calla.

Large California-grown bulbs of the common Calla, 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Childs' Dwarf Everblooming Calla.

This is of a dwarf habit and does not grow tall and scraggly like the old variety but is strong and compact, wtth a great abundance of lustrous dark green foliage. It is a true everbloomer, its flowers appearing in great abundance both summer and winter when grown in pots, or it will bloom profusely all summer long in open ground, and being potted in September will continue blooming without intermission all winter. The same plant will grow and bloom for years without once ceasing, and the quantity of bloom which a good plant will produce is astonishing. It is estimated that six plants of the old sort will not produce so many flowers in the course of a year as will one plant of this new dwarf variety. A large plant is hardly ever without one or more flowers, and its dwarf compact habit makes it a much more desirable pot plant than the old variety. Its flowers are of large size and snowy white in color. Price—25c. each: 3 for 60c.; second size, 15c. each.

SPECIAL OFFER—*One each of the four Callas offered on this page for only 60c.*

Select Lilium Harrisi,

OR EASTER LILY.

Large, pure white, trumpet-shaped flowers of great beauty and fragrance; as a winter bloomer nothing can surpass it. Plant in six to eight-inch pots of good soil and treat like other winter-blooming bulbs. It is impossible to describe the charming beauty of this Lily as a pot plant. Our bulbs are extra large, strong and healthy, and that they may be fully matured before lifting, will not be ready to send out until the end of September.

Extra strong bulbs of enormous size, which will give magnificent results, 40c. each; 3 for $1.00. Good flowering bulbs, 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Lilium Candidum.

MADONNA LILY.

This fine Lily produces from six to thirty lovely waxy-white blossoms, which have the most delicious fragrance of all Lilies. It is one of the most charming winter flowers, and sure to bloom freely. Treat same as L. Harrisi. *Extra strong bulbs of enormous size, 30c. each; 3 for 75c. Good bulbs 15c. each; 3 for 40c.*

Fine Lilies,—Very Cheap.

Fall is the best time to plant Lilies, and as we have very large stocks of some of the best kinds we make the following special low prices, to induce large sales. Buy now, for they will never be offered so cheaply again.

Elegans—Fine mixed colors. Very brilliant and an early bloomer.

Pardalinum—(Leopard Lily)—Rich scarlet and yellow flowers, spotted with rich brown. Robust and free flowering. A superb Lily and one which will give the greatest possible satisfaction. Succeeds in all situations. No garden complete without it.

Superbum—Three to six feet high, flowers from five to forty, nodding; brilliant orange-red; blooms in July.

Speciosum Rubrum—(Lancifolium)—Large, wide flowers recurving more or less at the tips. Among the choicest of all Lilies, and perhaps the most robust and the most radiantly beautiful. Very fragrant and hardy. Lovely rose and white spotted crimson.

Speciosa Monstrosum Album — Broad, flat stems and immense heads of flowers, often fifty in a cluster. Pure snow white. 15c. each; 3 for 35c.; 7 for 75c.

Tigrinum fl. pl.—(Double Tiger Lily)—This is a plant of stately habit, growing from 4 to 5 feet high; foliage is dark green and very long, bearing an immense number of double, bright orange-red flowers, spotted with black.

Tenuifolium—The lovely Coral Lily of Siberia. A great beauty. The brightest of all Lilies. Grows 20 inches high, with finely cut foliage, slender stems and beautiful shaped flowers of a shining coral-red. One ought to grow them by the dozen, they are so fine for cutting, and make such grand clumps for the lawn. Bloom very early.

Umbellatum—One of the very best, blooming in June or July, with very large perfect flowers. Colors range from black-red, through all the shades of crimson, rose, yellow, buff, apricot, etc., many being finely spotted and variegated. 25 finest sorts mixed.

Wallacei—This Lily is very floriferous, each bulb throwing up from 4 to 6 flower stems, each one of which is crowned with 8 to 10 beautiful upright blossoms, of a delicate, bright apricot color. It is very perfect in form and a most desirable sort.

Price of above, 10c. each; any 3 for 25c.; 7 for 50c. or the 10 for 75c. Any one kind at 60c. per dozen.

Rare Lilies.

Auratum — (The Golden Banded Lily of Japan) — We can say that this is the grandest of all Lilies, and certainly the most popular. 20c. each: 3 for 50c.

Batemanniæ—Pure apricot color, without spots. A much prized Japanese variety. 20c. each.

Speciosum Melpomene—Words cannot describe the beauty of this variety. Frosted white, spotted, clouded and bearded with pinkish crimson. Petals deeply recurved and widely bordered. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 7 for $1.00.

Speciosum Praecox—Large, perfect and beautiful. Frosted white, with a tinge of blush at the top of petals. The blush-like fringe in each petal adds to its beauty. 20c.

Speciosum Henryi—New and exceedingly rare. Tall, strong grower, producing flowers in great profusion of a fine apricot-yellow color. The fine new yellow Speciosum. $1.00 each.

Speciosum Opal—To say that it is frosted, glistening white, delicately clouded and suffused with rosy blush and spotted with rosy scarlet, is to convey but a slight idea of its perfect loveliness. The deeply recurved petals are snowy white at the tip, gradually deepening in color to the base of each petal, which is blotched with a raised, moss-like fringe, which glistens like diamonds. 75c. each.

Seed of Choice Greenhouse and Window Plants.

We offer at special low prices the following list of choice Seed of Greenhouse and Window Plants. Per pkt.

ASPARAGUS SPRENGERI—Fine foliage..... 5
ABUTILON, Choicest Hybrids, Mixed—All colors. Blossoms soon after planting..... 10
BEGONIA,
Mixed Seed—Many kinds. Grand for window culture. 10
Vernon—A grand new perpetual blooming sort..... 5
COMMELINA SELLOWIANA—Fine flowing trailer..... 5
CALCEOLARIA, Dwarf Hybrids—Large flowering, mixed. 10
CHRYSANTHEMUM, Extra Choice—All colors and varieties, mixed..... 10
CYCLAMEN, Grandiflorum—Choicest mixed colors..... 10
CINERARIA, Dwarf Hybrids—Large flowering, mixed. 10
Double Extra Choice, Mixed..... 20
CARNATION,
Fancy Extra Choice, Mixed—Variegated colors..... 10
Monthly, or Perpetual Tree—Mixed varieties..... 10
Hardy Hybrids—Hardy free bloomers. Extra fine for the garden or for pots. Many fine colors mixed..... 10
Margaret—Fine early bloomers..... 5
COLEUS, Rainbow Leaved—Extra choice mixed..... 10
FERN—Mixed; many sorts..... 10
FREESIA—Choice mixed..... 5
FUCHSIA—Fine mixed, all sorts..... 10
GLOXINIA—Choicest mixed Hybrids; magnificent..... 10
GERANIUM, Zonale Extra Choice—Mixed..... 10
Apple Scented—Very delightfully scented leaves..... 10
Double Mixed—Saved especially for us from the finest new sorts and will produce some of the best double varieties in existence..... 20
Bronze and Silver Tri-Color—Fine foliage sorts..... 20
Pelargonium, or Lady Washington—Fine mixed... 20
Ivy—Fine double flowered; ivy leaved; grand..... 20
HELIOTROPE, Lemoine's Hybrids—Flowers soon from seed. Grandest of all Heliotropes..... 10
LANTANA—Fine mixed colors..... 10
LEMON VERBENA..... 10
MUSA ENSETTE—Grand Banana..... 10
PALM, Mixed Sorts—Many varieties..... 10
Filifera or Weeping—Very fine and easily grown.... 10
PASSIFLORA—Fine mixed..... 5
PRIMULA, Chinensis, Mixed—Very good..... 5
Fimbriata—Extra fine; large flowering mixed,..... 5
Fimbriata Filicifolia—Mixed; (fern-leaved) beautiful cut-leaved foliage..... 10
Fimbriata Globosa—Mixed colors. This is a new strain of Fimbriata, with many unusually large flowers of great substance and color; very clear and pleasing. Colors, pure white with large lemon eye; deep red; carmine, white and pink, striped, flaked with other colors etc..... 20
Fimbriata, fl. pl., Double, Mixed Colors—The double Primulas are among the choicest of all winter plants. All colors, mixed, an extra choice strain..... 20
Obconica Hybrids—Strong plants of this are everblooming, flowering for ten or twelve months at a time, without a day's intermission..... 10
ROSE MULTIFLORA—With seed of these new Roses plants may be had in bloom in 60 days from time of sowing. Plant at any time. They grow quickly and flowers appear in large clusters, and such quantity that a plant looks like a bouquet. In pots they bloom both summer and winter. From a package of seed one will get Roses of various colors,—white, pink, crimson, etc.—no two alike and mostly perfectly double and very sweet..... 15
SMILAX..... 5
VIOLET—Mixed sorts..... 10

Childs' Imperial German Pansies.

Introduced by us several years ago, and now the leading favorite throughout the world. Many inferior stocks have been placed on the market under the name, but, as the introducers, we may be depended upon to furnish the true variety. Large flowers of the finest coloring; stout, robust, bushy growth, withstanding the heat and producing fine large flowers during the entire summer. Flowers of great substance and beauty. Fifty distinct shades mixed..... 10

15 separate colors, 10c. pkt. or the 15 for $1.00.

Childs' Giant Excelsior Pansies.

It is impossible to do justice to these lovely flowers in a printed description. Cold type cannot convey an idea of the indescribable richness, the varied and exquisite coloring, the large size, perfect form and great substance of the blossoms. Plants are compact and bushy, and produce great quantities of flowers, borne well above the foliage, on strong stems. Owing to their vigor, this strain withstands the hot and dry weather better than any other variety, and produces its great, beautiful blossoms in profusion all summer. Over a hundred different shades and combinations of colors have been counted in one bed of this strain. (3 pkts. 50c.).....20

Seed for Winter Blooming.

We have made extensive experiments with all quick blooming annuals, and to our surprise and delight find that some of them make the most beautiful pots of winter flowers that it is possible to have. Of the following kinds seed can be sown in pots of good soil at any time from November 1st to January 1st. They will germinate quickly, grow rapidly and be in bloom in a surprisingly short time, and the pleasure which they will afford it is impossible to anticipate. It is not possible to find any winter flower which will in true beauty and loveliness surpass some of these.

Alyssum, Little Gem—An improved variety; much larger flowers of a pure white, and if possible more floriferous than the old Sweet. Plant is also more robust and spreading, a single plant forming a thick mat of flowers and foliage 12 to 15 inches across.

Cherianthus, Fairy Queen—Flowers are borne in spikes and are very gay and pretty, being of bright crimson and lilac colors.

Diamond Flower—It is one of the loveliest little annuals known, rarely growing over two inches in height, and forms a tuft of beautiful foliage which is completely smothered in a profusion of white and violet blossoms glistening like diamonds. It will be in bloom within a month from the time of sowing the seed at any time of year. For pot culture in winter it is just superb. Sprinkle a few seeds in a small pot or saucer, or in pots where other plants are growing, and within a month you will have a most charming mat of foliage and flowers—covering the surface of the soil like moss.

Marigold, Legion of Honor—A dwarf gem, and one of the prettiest pot plants, blooming in a month after the seed starts. Attracts great attention.

Schizanthus, Mixed Colors—No flower in our conservatories last winter attracted as much attention as did a few pots of this superb annual. Plants grow freely and flowers appear in large drooping racemes, and resemble some species of Orchid so closely that they are often taken for that queen of flowers. The colors are beyond description and each flower looks like a beautiful butterfly with spreading wings. Our plants were in full perfection of bloom during the entire months of February, March, April, and May, from seed sown the latter part of November. Try them by all means. We offer a mixture of many different colors, all suitable for winter blooming

Morning Glories—For winter blooming—Seed sown at any time during the winter will commence blooming in about thirty days and when the plants are only three to four inches high, and continue for months. The flowers *remain open all day*, from morning until night, making as pretty a pot of flowers as you can imagine. They are in no respect hard to grow, and will succeed in any window.

Nicotiana Decurrens—Its long, tubular, star-pointed flowers are pure white, exceedingly fragrant and very profusely borne. It is one of the few plants that will flower well without a single ray of direct sunshine, and, for shaded north windows, is invaluable.

Shoo-Fly Plant—It is claimed that flies will not stay in a room where it is growing if they can conveniently escape, though what there is about it that repulses them is not clear, as the plant or flower has no odor. Aside from this most remarkable quality it is a most beautiful flowering plant, and blooms in a very short time (60 days) from seed. It is particularly valuable as a winter bloomer, the blossoms being large, cup-shaped, and of a lovely light blue color with a white center.

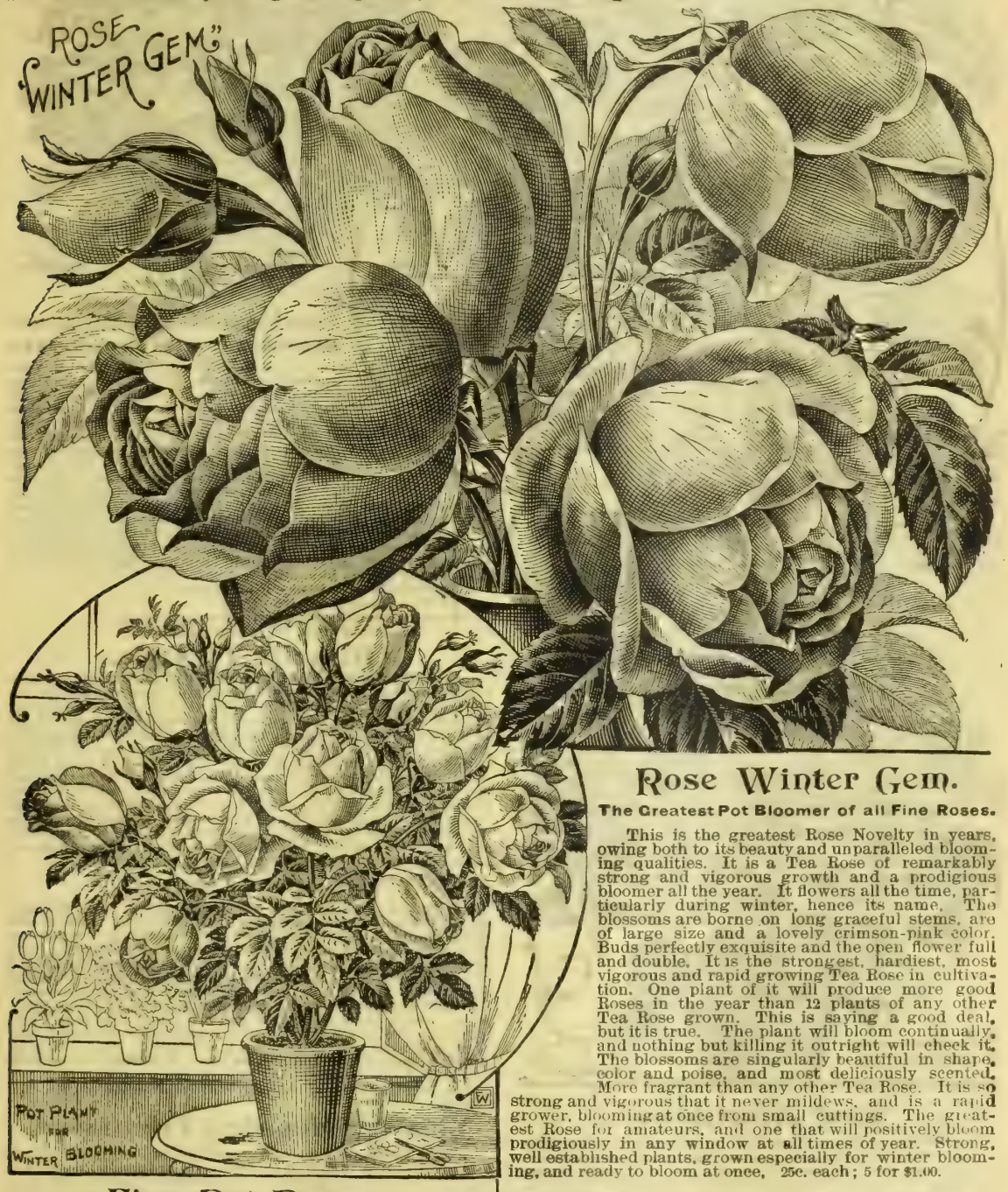
Sweet Pea, Winter Blooming—An extra early flowering sort, that succeeds finely in pots for window or conservatory during winter. It is of rather short growth, making much less vine than ordinary varieties. It blooms very early and is a perfect success as a pot plant. The blossoms are freely produced and are of a delicate and charming pink and white tinted color and deliciously fragrant.

Lobelia Coldelse—A compact, low-growing variety, the foliage of which is golden yellow and is most charmingly set off by hundreds of blossoms of the brighest, deepest blue, with a pure white eye.

Above 10 fine winter-bloomers at 5c. per pkt. the 10 for 50c.

Choice Plants for Winter Blooming.

The following plants are all extra fine for winter blooming, and are mostly new or recently introduced sorts that are not seen in general cultivation. We supply healthy, well-grown, vigorous young stock that will be sure to do finely. All grown especially for winter blooming.



Rose Winter Gem.

The Greatest Pot Bloomer of all Fine Roses.

This is the greatest Rose Novelty in years, owing both to its beauty and unparalleled blooming qualities. It is a Tea Rose of remarkably strong and vigorous growth and a prodigious bloomer all the year. It flowers all the time, particularly during winter, hence its name. The blossoms are borne on long graceful stems, are of large size and a lovely crimson-pink color. Buds perfectly exquisite and the open flower full and double. It is the strongest, hardiest, most vigorous and rapid growing Tea Rose in cultivation. One plant of it will produce more good Roses in the year than 12 plants of any other Tea Rose grown. This is saying a good deal, but it is true. The plant will bloom continually, and nothing but killing it outright will check it. The blossoms are singularly beautiful in shape, color and poise, and most deliciously scented. More fragrant than any other Tea Rose. It is so strong and vigorous that it never mildews, and is a rapid grower, blooming at once from small cuttings. The greatest Rose for amateurs, and one that will positively bloom prodigiously in any window at all times of year. Strong, well established plants, grown especially for winter blooming, and ready to bloom at once, 25c. each; 5 for $1.00.

Fine Pot Roses.

The following are good winter bloomers. White, pink, yellow and scarlet. Strong pot grown plants.

Champion of the World—Splendid pink; very free.
Etoile d'Lyon—Superb golden yellow.
Marie Guillot—Pure snow white.
Queen's Scarlet—Intense scarlet.

15c. each; the 4 for 50c.

Multiflora Roses from Seed.

With seed of these new Roses plants may be had in bloom in 60 to 90 days from time of sowing. Plant at any time. They grow quickly and flowers appear in large clusters, and in such quantity that a plant looks like a bouquet. From a packet of seed one will get Roses of various colors—white, pink, crimson, etc.,—no two alike and mostly perfectly double and very sweet. Pkt. 15c.

New Abutilons.

Unlike the ordinary Abutilons of scraggy growth, they are very compact and short jointed, making a neat pot plant. The flowers are the most beautiful we have seen among Abutilons, being very large yet short and beautifully cupped and of the most lovely colors. It is safe to say that these varieties will produce five times as much bloom as others.

Infanta Eulalia—This is perfection itself. Plants dwarf and short jointed, producing exquisite large cupped blossoms by the score from the time the plant is four inches high. Blooms all the time, summer and winter. Color a most beautiful soft satin-pink.

Wm. McKinley—Like the above except in color, which is a beautiful clear lemon yellow of exquisite loveliness.

Africain—Dark crimson-black.

Price. 20c. each; the three for 50c.

New Double Begonia Vernon

MAGNIFICENT WINTER BLOOMERS

The well-known single form of B. Vernon has established itself in the affections of all plant lovers. Its cheerful aspect and perpetual-blooming qualities through thick and thin make it a most charming plant. These new Double Vernons from France are in no respect different from the single, except the flowers are larger and double. Truly, they are attractive flowers, borne in large clusters, and with a freedom that is surprising. Every day the year round shows them in their radiant beauty. There is certainly no other plant producing fine double flowers in such quantity the year round as does this. It is adapted to any window or porch, or it may be bedded out in summer. In any position it is always a prize bloomer.

Vernon Double Pink—Fine shades.
Vernon Double White—Pure.
Vernon Double Crimson—Deep and rich.

Fine Plants, 20c. each; the 3 for 50c.

Otaheite Orange.

An extra fine pot plant with glossy green leaves, the true fragrant orange blossoms and abundant little bright oranges that will hang on the little bush like balls of gold for six months after they are ripe. They will bloom and fruit in a two inch-pot, and we have seen a plant in a common window, that was but 15 inches high and had 23 oranges on it. With good sunlight they are never out of fruit from one year's end to another, and at least two-thirds of the time are in flower also. The fruit is very sweet and handsome. Could we have but one plant in our window it would be an Otaheite Orange. In beauty, grace and fragrance there is nothing like its delicate leafy sprays of blooms, so indescribably exquisite, dainty, lovely, and adorable. Fine plants for blooming and fruiting at once. 20c, each; 3 for 50c

Wonder Lemon.

A lemon that can be as easily grown in a pot as a Geranium and which produces fruit weighing from one to three pounds each. These enormous fruits are borne on plants one to two feet high, growing in 5 to 6-inch pots. It is everbearing and its fruit is delicious for lemonade and culinary purposes. It makes a beautiful specimen plant for the house. Has large, deep green leaves and pure, waxy-like flowers that are fragrant as orange blossoms. The enormous lemons have a thin rind and are full of acid juice. The trees require no grafting or budding, and we guarantee every tree to produce the same large fruit. Will thrive in and good soil, either indoors or out. A fitting companion to the Otaheite Orange, and one of the grandest new pot plants ever introduced. Strong well established plants. 20c. 3 for 50c.

New Variegated Oleander.

This new plant is one of the very finest things for large pots or tubs ever introduced. Its leaves are green and white, beautifully variegated, while the blossoms which are produced freely during winter and spring are a most beautiful light satiny-pink color, very double, and borne in large clusters. Sweet scented and perfectly grand. 40c. each; 3 for $1.00.

Olea Fragrans—(Fragrant Olive.)

This is the sweetest flower that blooms, and is never without flowers, either summer or winter. The flowers are creamy white and borne in immense clusters. Each individual blossom, though no larger than the head of a shawl-pin, has more sweetness than the largest and most fragrant Lily. 30c. each; 3 for 70c.

Swainsonia, (*Swan flower.*)

A new plant for winter blooming. It willbe hard to name a plant now in cultivation which can equal it in beauty and good qualities. It has a most beautiful fern-like foliage and blooms every day in the year, its blossoms being the shape and nearly the size of Sweet Peas and borne in great clusters of twenty to forty. The plant is a free and rapid grower, beginning to bloom in three or four weeks from cuttings, and continuing for years. It is easier to grow and manage than a Geranium. We believe there is no plant so easy to grow, or one that thrives and blooms under all conditions as does this charming Swanflower.

Pure White—Large, milky white; exquisite.
Deep Red—Fine dark red, with large white blotches.
Price, 20c. each; the two for 30c.

Genista, Shower of Gold.

As a plant for late winter and early spring blooming (especially for Easter), it is almost without an equal. Flowers golden yellow, very fragrant, and borne in large, drooping racemes, and in such quantity as to almost hide leaf and branch—most truly a "Shower of Gold." It is one of the easiest plants to grow we ever saw, and is absolutely sure to bloom profusely in any window. As a plant for rare beauty, delightful fragrance and ease of culture it has no superior, and should adorn every home. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Bridal Rose—(*Rubus Floribunda*).

A remarkable plant with leaves resembling a blackberry in shape; its flowers are produced during the winter, and are as double as a Pæony and almost as large. Color, pure white, and when a plant one or two feet high shows a score or more of these enormous flowers, which they often do, the sight is most novel and attractive. New and little known. Will create a sensation anywhere. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Acalypha Sanderi.

This is one of the most gorgeous and peculiar flowering plants thus far discovered. It grows up a straight, stout branching plant, clothed with large green leaves of good substance, and out of the axil of *every* leaf grows a spike of blossoms, glowing crimson-scarlet in color. *20 to 50 inches long*, as large round as one's finger and looks like a long piece of crimson-scarlet chenille cord. They last for *months* before fading and before they fall off several other spikes have started out *in the same leaf axil*, and it is thus always in bloom—January to December. *Even tiny plants in thumb-pots bloom*, though of course the spikes are proportionately smaller. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

New Foliage Canna, Rainbow.

Each leaf is beautifully variegated with pink, scarlet, orange, gray, green, etc. In habit of growth it is superb. It hardly reaches the height of three feet, and is compact, with numerous leaves, which are wide, wavy and graceful; in this respect more charming than any other Canna. Aside from its beauty and usefulness as a garden ornament, it is still grander in pots for the window, and makes a specimen plant which nothing, not even Fancy Caladiums can surpass. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Azalea Indica.

Elegant pot plants, much used for Easter decorations. Though attaining a good size, commence to bloom when very small. The flowers are large and very beautiful, always much admired, and range from white to deep crimson in color, with intermediate shades and markings. Easily grown in a window. Our plants are finest new varieties, imported last year, and are greatly superior to the older well-know sorts. Many of them are very double. More than a dozen of the finest sorts mixed. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Winter-Blooming Primulas.

Obconica Hybrids—These are new large-flowering Obconicas of various colors, as large and fine as Sinensis. These new colors and larger flowers are among the very best novelties. Colors, pink, violet, blush, rose, lilac, white, etc. Very charming flowers, being borne in large trusses, and at all times of the year in great profusion. When we introduced these fine Primulas last year people could not realize what a treasure they are, but now they are better known the demand for them is something phenomenal. They bloom very quickly from seed, and the large showy blossoms are borne continually for a year, and when we realize that these flowers are as large as P. Sinensis, and almost as varied in colors, their great value is at once apparent. Plants very vigorous and as easily grown as a Geranium. Seed 10c. per pkt.; plants 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Baby Primroses—Plant very graceful, with slender flower-stalks rising above the light green leaves, and bearing many dainty-colored flowers with yellow center. New flower stems are constantly appearing as fast as the old ones fade, and the same plant is always in bloom. The foliage grows in a tufty, compact mass, while the graceful flower stems reach high above it. Very hardy and easily grown in window garden and apartments. Beautiful for cutting. One of the most charming pot plants grown. For winter blooming no plant can beat it. It is perfectly charming at all times of year. Plants, 15c. each; 3 for 35c. Seed, 10c. per pkt.

PRIMULA OBCONICA.

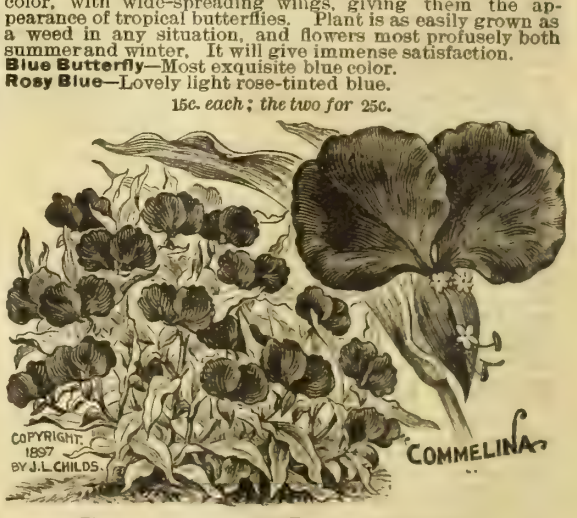
Butterfly Flower (*Commelina*).

One of the very prettiest and finest flowering plants for winter. It is of a trailing habit, and looks very handsome in a hanging pot, the graceful drooping vine, with attractive foliage and most exquisite blossoms, which are freely produced every day. The blossoms are of an exquisite blue color, with wide-spreading wings, giving them the appearance of tropical butterflies. Plant is as easily grown as a weed in any situation, and flowers most profusely both summer and winter. It will give immense satisfaction.

Blue Butterfly—Most exquisite blue color.

Rosy Blue—Lovely light rose-tinted blue.

15c. each; the two for 25c.



Cyclamen Giganteum.

Few pot plants are so desirable as Cyclamen, especially for winter blooming. Though they are universal favorites, they are not seen in general cultivation to the extent that they should be, considering their ease of culture, great beauty and long season of bloom. Bulbs commence blooming in the fall and continue in the greatest profusion till June, each flower keeping perfect a month before fading, and a good bulb will show at all times from 12 to 50 well developed blossoms. They are of the most delicately beautiful colors, ranging from dark red to white, delicate blush and pink shades. Often the flower will be spotted and marked, or in other ways showing two distinct colors. All colors mixed, fine home-grown bulbs, 25c. each; 3 for 60c.

FINE FOLIAGE PLANTS.

The following superior foliage plants are well adapted to window culture during winter and are highly desirable.

FILIFERA, OR WEEPING PALM.

One of the best window Palms, needing no petting to succeed. Stands dust and dry air, and lack of sunshine, and is very ornamental with its elegant fan-shaped leaves of a rich, dark, feathery green. Picturesquely fringed with long thread-like filaments along the segments of the leaves. The plant is a compact grower, well adapted to pot culture, succeeding in any situation, and with any treatment that will keep a Geranium alive. It will make a grand ornament during winter, and in summer it can adorn a veranda or be placed about the garden or yard, or used for a center in a vase, basket or flower bed—always ornamental anywhere. Strong plants, 20c. each; 3 for 50c. Seed, 10c. per packet.

BOSTON FERN.

Of all decorative plants for house culture this is perhaps the most imposing and satisfactory. It is so hardy that it will stand and thrive in most any situation in a room, even if out of the reach of the sun's rays. No Fern is so good in this respect. Plants form an immense number of graceful drooping fronds, varying in length from two to five feet, and always of a fresh, healthy and beautiful green color. These fronds keep in perfect condition for years. We cannot too highly recommend it. Fine plants, 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

PIGMY BOSTON FERN.

Plant makes a dense mass of hundreds of beautiful fronds no wider than one's finger, which grow to a considerable length and curve most gracefully. For small pots and baskets it is the finest thing yet introduced. Grows readily in any window or on a veranda in the open air and is an object of exquisite beauty the whole year. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

ASPARAGUS SPRENGERI.

For hanging pots, or bracket pots, where the mass of rich foliage can droop in its natural grace, it is one of the loveliest objects it is possible to find for window decoration. For cutting it lasts weeks in water. Plants also blossom freely and bear large red berries, which add greatly to the beauty of the wavy foliage. Nothing finer for decorating or for bouquet making. Fine plants, 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

SANSEVERIA ZEALANICA.

Singularly beautiful and easily grown. Erect, rigid, sword-like leaves; in some old specimens reaching a length of from four to six feet. The leaves are thick and fleshy, a dark green color, clouded bars of white. In May and June it sends up long plumy flower spikes. The splendid outlines of the plant, together with its distinctive marbling, make it a superb plant for jardinieres, centers of vases, etc, 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

PARROTS' FEATHER.

Long trailing stems completely clothed with whorls of the most exquisite foliage, finely cut. If planted in a water-tight hanging basket so the soil can be kept very wet, or water standing on the surface, it will trail down over the side in a most charming manner. 15c. each; 3 for 30c.

NEPETA CLECHOMA.

This new Nepeta is hardy, fragrant and its leaves finely marked with white. Very fine for hanging basket, standing any abuse. One of the prettiest things in the world with which to carpet graves, as it roots wherever it touches the ground and forms an impenetrable net-work of vines through which weeds and grasses cannot creep. It will grow in any kind of soil, in sun or shade, hot or cold location, and is ever a mass of green and white refreshing to the eye. Unsurpassed for vases, hanging pots or baskets. 15c. each; 3 for 30c.

SPECIAL OFFER—*One each of these 7 Fine Foliage Plants for only $1.00.*

HARDY PERENNIAL PLANTS.

The list of Hardy Perennials here presented we have collected together with great care, having in view one special object, viz.: to supply the best varieties and best plants at a small cost. They are all perfectly hardy anywhere, and thrive and bloom year after year with little or no care after once well planted.

Double Iris Kæmpferi.

These new Iris from Japan rival the Lily in stateliness, the Pæony in majestic beauty, the Orchid in marvelous delicacy and blending of colors, the Chrysanthemum in profusion, and surpasses almost every plant in size and kingly magnificence of its flowers. Think of a plant sending up to the height of three feet a dozen flower spikes, each spike bearing from two to four enormous blossoms eight or ten inches across and of the most delicate and beautiful colors, markings, and combinations. Think of a bed of all colors, white, indigo, violet, lavender, mauve, sky-blue, royal purple, blush, yellow, etc. Your imagination can conceive of nothing grander, and when you see them you will realize that they are infinitely more grand and beautiful than your imagination could portray. Such are these new Double Iris Kæmpferi, the king of hardy perennial plants. Once planted in your garden they are a joy for a lifetime without further care, blooming profusely in June or July, during which time they are the greatest attraction your garden can contain. Received highest award at the World's Fair.

Blue Jay—Large flowers; fine azure blue freely mottled.
Eclair—Lovely pure white. Extra large and fine.
Mahogany—Very large flower, deep mahogany red.
Gold Bound—Tall and showy, with flowers of enormous size, probably the most beautiful of all. Pure snow-white, with large gold-banded center.
Beth Hallock—Delicate lavender freely suffused with white; dwarf habit.
New York—Fine blush purple. Mottled.
Mt. Hood—Light blue, shaded darker. Bright orange center.
Pyramid—Tall and showy, flower very large; light violet-blue with slight white veins.
P. C. de Rohan—Purplish blue, shaded violet and red.
Robert Craig—Tall and very large; French white, shaded with violet toward center; extra fine.

PRICE 15c. *each; any 3 for* 50c.; *the* 10 *for* $1.00; *or any one sort at* $1.00 *per doz.*

Double Mixed—40 Fine sorts, 7 for 50c.; 15 for $1.00.

NEW SEEDLINGS.

Fine seedlings of Iris Kæmpferi, which present a wide range of beautiful colors and large sized flowers, some double and some single. They are perfectly magnificent. 75c. per dozen.

New Perennial Phloxes.

Those who remember the thin-petaled white and the dull-hued purple Perennial Phlox of old-fashioned gardens can scarcely recognize these new Phloxes as the same flowers. These new varieties are in bloom from June until frost, and the individual florets are twice the size of the old time Phlox, and the shades of color the brightest, richest and clearest. There are no finer or more useful perennials than the Perennial Phloxes, or which will give more complete satisfaction. The varieties we offer are new and fine, and the plants we send out will bloom magnificently the coming summer. They are cheap and we hope that all our customers will plant them.

Athels—A beautiful rosy scarlet tinged with salmon. Very bright and showy.
Snow Cloud—White, suffused with purple. Extra fine.
Charlotte Saisson—White, suffused with pink, deepening towards the center to bright vermillion.
Lasoliel—Enormous flowers and truss, individual flowers being 1½ inches across. Color, light crimson tinged with lilac and shaded lighter towards the center.
Diplomat—Beautiful light lilac with crimson eye. Very large flower and truss.
Eclaire—Deep, bright purplish crimson. Extra large.
Master Clarence Hulse—Pure white. Flowers and truss of very large size and exceedingly beautiful.
Sylvester Hulse—Beautiful lilac-rose.
Miss Hattie Hulse—Pure white with beautiful pink eye.
Morty Hulse—Beautiful rose-lilac, marbled with white, flowers large and of beautiful form.
Pluton—Deep wine-red; splendid. New.
Mad. Reudatier—Fine lilac, bordered and flaked white.
Pyramidal White—A great acquisition, being a plant of sturdy, compact growth, and bearing enormous pyramidal panicles of great blossoms. By far the finest white, and in all round good points the finest Perennial Phlox grown. Great solid panicles of grand effect.
Pyramidal Crimson—Like the above, with same great blossoms, but of a bright crimson color. The two sorts contrast finely. They bloom all summer long and are equal to Hydrangeas in majestic beauty.

15c. each; any 6 for 60c.; the 14 for $1.00.

Phlox Subulata—One of the finest of low, turfy-growing plants, fine for carpeting under trees, around rock-work, edging beds, etc. Early in spring is very showy with its cloud of bright pink blossoms. We do not understand why this is not more widely grown, for it is perfectly hardy and once planted will take care of itself. 15c. each; 5 for 50c.; 12 for $1.00.

SPECIAL OFFER. *For only 50c. we will send 10 fine Hardy Perennial Plants, all different kinds, our selection. This is an opportunity of getting a fine lot at little cost.*

Pæonies---Special Offer.

The favorite of today, as it was fifty years ago. Luxurious foliaged plants, with magnificent, double, incurved flowers of enormous size and rich colorings. Nothing can surpass the intensity of the dark varieties that fairly glow with a radiant fire of richness, while the white and pale varieties are very soft and delicate in their coloring.

Having a very large stock of Giant Pæonies we make special low offers.

New Giant—Like an enormous double Rose, of a rosy-pink color; a Pæony which grows 3 to 4 feet high, and bears flowers nearly as large as a man's hat, which resemble a perfect Rose. In fact the flower is the same shape, fragrance, and exquisite satin-like pink color as Baroness Rothschild Rose. It is beautiful beyond description. Fine roots, 20c. each; 3 for 50c; 7 for $1.00.

Officianalis fl. pl.—This is the magnificent old early flowering variety seen in our grandmothers' gardens. Nothing finer, 25c. each.

Double White—Fine double white, sweet scented. 30c. each; 3 for 75c.

Lady L. Brower—A new pink sort with enormous fragrant blossoms. Very early and grand in every way. 40c. each.

One each of the 4 sorts for 80c.

HERBACEOUS PAEONIES.

Miscellaneous Hardy Perennials.

Achillea Grandiflora—It commences to bloom by the first of July and is a perfect mass of bloom until frost, as many as 5,000 flowers having been counted upon the plant at one time. Flowers pure white, perfectly double, in large sprays, and are unsurpassed for all sorts of cut-flower work, bouquets, etc.

Anemone Whirlwind—A variety of the beautiful old A. Japonica, but with large, semi-double blossoms of a snow-white color. It possesses a beauty and airy grace which is seen in but few flowers, and its great profusion of bloom at the end of summer and during fall, when pure white flowers are scarce, makes it very valuable.

Calliopsis Lanceolata—Each plant is a sheet of golden yellow blossoms borne high above the foliage on long, wiry stems.

Calystegia Pubescens—A fine double perennial Morning Glory, a vine coming from the roots each spring and bearing quantities of pale, satiny flowers.

Hemerocallis, Lemon Lily—The clear yellow, lily-like flowers are borne on long, stiff stalks, making them superior flowers for large vases or pulpit bouquets.

Mosquito Catcher Plant—It grows one to two feet high and all summer, bearing a profusion of pretty, white, star-like blossoms that secrete a viscid fluid that attracts mosquitoes, and sometimes other insects as well. Alas for the poor mosquito! No struggling on his part can ever free him after he has once dipped his beak in the forbidden sweets.

Perennial Poppy—If there is a more gorgeous flower anywhere than the Perennial Poppy we fail to know it. The most indifferent observer stands spell-bound in the presence of its magnificent fire-like heart of innumerable purple-black stamens.

Haucheria Sanguinea—This rare and little known plant will be a revelation of beauty to all who try it. It is of very pretty, graceful habit, sending up great numbers of flowers stems, which branch freely and produce for a period of two or three months a great profusion of scarlet blossoms.

Day Lily, Variegated Leaved—Leaves as handsome as a flower. A rosette cluster of almost white leaves, lightly striped with green and yellow. Flowers pretty pale lilac-blue on tall spikes. Fine also for pots. Altogether this is one of the very finest of all hardy plants.

Hardy Candytuft—A plant of exquisite beauty, being of low, compact, spreading growth, and producing its profusion of blooms in May or June, when pure white flowers are particularly scarce. Its profusion of blooms is so great that a bed of it looks at a little distance like a mass of fleecy snow just fallen. Few hardy plants will give as much real satisfaction as will this beautiful gem. Lifted late in the fall, it will bloom well in the house during winter. Perfectly hardy and foliage evergreen.

Rudbeckia Golden Glow—A hardy perennial plant growing eight feet high, branching freely, and bearing by the hundreds, on long, graceful stems exquisite double blossoms of the brightest golden color and large as Dahlias.

Fine plants 15c. each; any 4 for 50c.; the 11 for $1.25. Any one sort at $1.00 per dozen.

HARDY ORNAMENTAL FLOWERING SHRUBS.

Nothing can take the place of Shrubbery for the lawn, for hedges and specimen clumps. Shrubs thrive in any situation, are beautiful all summer, producing some of the choicest of out-door blossoms. The list here offered is a select one including only the very finest and most desirable sorts.

Althea—A fine tall-growing shrub, that once planted is good for a lifetime. Blooms when but a slip of a plant, but eventually reaches the size of a small tree. Always a symmetrical, upright grower, well clothed with a dark green foliage, and bears every year, without fail, a profusion of large, showy double flowers that closely resemble Hollyhocks in shape and colors, but often larger in size. They bloom from midsummer until frost, at a time when few other shrubs are in bloom. Fine for cemetery planting or for grouping upon the lawn.

Hardy Azaleas, Mollis—Among the rarest and choicest of all garden flowers. Great flaming masses of bloom are produced by these new Hardy Azaleas, making a show the glory of which one cannot describe. Suffice it to say that the blossoms are often larger than the hot-house Azaleas, and more brilliant and fiery in colors, scarlet, red, orange, yellow, pink, etc., often flamed and variegated in a lovely manner. Perfectly hardy anywhere in the U. S. and the most brilliant flowering shrub known.

Azalea Amoena—A lovely hardy evergreen Azalea with beautiful foliage, and fine compact bushy growth. In May or June the plants are densely covered with rich violet-red blossoms, which are exceedingly showy.

Calycanthus Florida—The "Sweet Shrub" so long a favorite in gardens. The purplish flowers have an exquisite pineapple fragrance of which one never tires, and a spray of them will perfume a whole room. Cannot be omitted from any lawn or garden.

Deutzia Lemoinei—This is the greatest recent novelty in flowering shrubs. It makes a low compact bush which in June is loaded down with large, round, snowball-like clusters of pure white flowers. We know of nothing more beautiful for the garden, yet it has the added merit of being a grand pot plant for winter blooming. It is not too large for a pot and blooms very finely at any time during winter. It is becoming very popular in France for Easter.

Fern Leaf Tree—A beautiful tree of a low, shrubby growth, making a superb large foliage shrub. Its leaves are like beautiful fern fronds, so finely laciniated and graceful, often two feet in length by ten inches in width. Color very dark green, while the stems are dark ebony-red. It also bears large bunches of red berries, and in autumn the leaves color very brightly at the touch of frost. It is one of the very finest shrubs in cultivation. As a specimen shrub or small tree for the lawn it is grand.

Hydrangea Paniculata—Generally considered the most valuable and ornamental shrub in existence. Bushy and robust, every branch tipped in midsummer with an immense close panicle of flat, snow-white flowers of gigantic size. The trusses of bloom are ten or twelve inches long and nearly as thick through, and last for two or three months, turning pinkish toward the last. No other shrub makes such a show on the lawn or is so universally admired. Grand for cemetery use, and always blooms finely the first summer.

Sweet Pea Shrub—When it is in bloom it is really but a big bouquet itself, so full is it of dainty sprays of large, lovely rose-pink blooms, to which the graceful pinnate foliage is an admirable background. Flowers borne in clusters and are the size and shape of Sweet Peas.

Syringa, Double—A double flowered form of the lovely old fragrant Syringa. Blossoms snow-white.

Syringa, Golden-Leaved—The finest of all the Mock Oranges. Flowers like Orange blossoms, borne in elegant sprays and great profusion, while its fragrance is unsurpassed. The foliage instead of being green is a most elegant golden-yellow, which makes the bush as ornamental as most of the best foliage plants. Decidedly one of the most magnificent of all shrubs.

Spirea, Anthony Waterer—A perpetual bloomer, and suitable either for garden or pots. It is of a dwarf habit, flowering profusely when only a few inches in height, and at all times and seasons. The flowers are of a lovely pink color, borne in dense clusters, and have a peculiar feathery appearance which is extremely beautiful.

Weigelia, Eva Rathke—A grand New Everblooming Weigelia. Producing great quantities of bloom all the season, in magnificent clusters on the terminal branches. Color, deep, rich blood red, the finest color yet seen among Weigelias. A really valuable novelty.

Price, 20c. each; any 3 for 50c.; the 12 for $1.50.

Hardy Vines.

Ampelopsis Veitchi—The fashionable wall climber of the day. Clings tightly by suckers thrown out along the stem, to rock, brick, etc., and is a wall of living green the summer through, turning in autumn to a flaming crimson, when it is fairly gorgeous. It stands the dust and dry air of cities admirably. 15c. each; 5 for 50c.; 12 for $1.00.

Honeysuckle, Golden Leaved—Marvelously effective. It bears innumerable sprays of the most perfect little leaves that are covered with a network of gold and green, often marked with pink also. 15c. each; 3 for 30c.

Honeysuckle, Halliana—The best white monthly Honeysuckle, with dark foliage, which keeps fresh and green nearly all winter, and beautiful clusters of the sweetest-scented flowers that open a snowy white and turn a pale yellow. These are produced in profusion from early spring to late fall. 15c. each: 3 for 30c.

Wistaria, Sinensis Magnifica—Fine large clusters of lovely blue flowers, produced in great masses. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Clematis Paniculata—We cannot well say too much in praise of this vine. A clean, thrifty, robust growing vine, of graceful habit, with attractive glossy foliage, and covered in August and September with a sheet of clustered snow-white bloom. 20c. each.

Clematis, Coccinea—A graceful festooning vine of graceful appearance. Bears a profusion of shining coral scarlet buds and flowers all summer. Blossoms, bell-shaped, very bright and beautiful. Fine for decorating. 20c.

Clematis, Crispa—Something like Coccinea, but more broadly bell-shaped. Color a fine blue, tipped with white. Very neat foliage. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Clematis, Jackmani—Large purple. 50c.

Clematis, Henryi—Magnificent large white. 60c

Clematis, Ramona—Superb large blue. 80c.

CHOICE AND RARE FRUITS.

For complete list of our New and Rare Fruits, see our last Spring Catalogue, pages 128 to 136.

New Strawberries.

Echo—The great table berry. It has the highest and richest flavor of all Strawberries. A very productive variety. Mid-season. Fruit large. Every fruit grower should have it in his garden. When you have fruited it you will never do without it. While we have grown and fruited it only two years, it appears to us to be the FINEST BERRY YET INTRODUCED. It certainly has no equal in rich sweet flavor, at the same time being very large and handsome.

Gibson—A berry that will excel all mid-season berries that have been introduced. 1st, it has a perfect blossom. 2nd, it is a good strong grower. 3rd, it is very productive of large, round, firm, uniform and good colored fruit.

New York—This is the big fellow that won the $100 gold prize last year over the *Glen Mary*. After fruiting the berry another year we find it still in the lead for large size, productiveness and health and vigor of plant.

Johnson's Early—There is but little doubt that this is the most valuable early berry ever offered. Mr. L. Shanley Davis, of New York, makes a specialty of handling the finest berries grown, and he says that Johnson's Early is the finest early berry he has had in the store. In size this berry is large, deep red in color, glossy, firm, sweet and of excellent flavor. In point of yield it is as productive as Crescent. It ripens with Mitchel's Early and is therefore as early as any, and the earliest by a week of any large-sized sweet and high-flavored berry.

Great Washington—The real giant among big Strawberries. The berry is not only the very largest and handsomest in cultivation, but by all odds the best flavored. It is also a great cropper and vines are extremely healthy and vigorous, a merit not possessed by any other very large sort.

50c. per dozen; $2.00 per 100; $15 per 1,000. 12 each of the 5 sorts for $2.00; 100 each for $8.00.

Best Blackberries.

Iceberg—It bears loads of delicious, snowy berries, which are not only white, but so transparent that the seeds, which are unusually small, may be seen in the ripe berries. "Clusters larger than those of Lawton; berries at least as large, earlier, sweeter, and more tender and melting throughout, though as firm as Lawton is when ripe."

Everbearing Tree—For a Blackberry it is the largest, finest flavored, most prolific, fruiting for two months, and requires no stakes. It grows from five to seven feet high, branching freely into a fine tree form.

Rathbun—The fruit of the Rathbun, unlike most Blackberries, has no hard core, in fact, no core is perceived in eating it. All is soft, sweet and luscious, with a high flavor. It is superior to all the well known varieties in cultivation in this quality.

20c. each; the 3 for 50c.; $1.50 per doz.; $8.00 per 100.

Finest Raspberries.

Souchet Everbearing White—An extra large berry of a beautiful light amber, almost pure white color. Perfectly hardy, vigorous and a great cropper, both summer and fall. The fruit is of extra fine quality. In fact, we think it the finest flavored of all Raspberries, therefore most desirable for the home garden. Its beautiful color contrasting with red or black varieties, makes a very appetizing dish when served together.

Cuthbert—A very large red variety, of superb quality. It is an enormous yielder, and grows freely in any situation. It will adapt itself to any wild or out of the way place and make a splendid wild berry.

Golden Queen—This is a sport from the Cuthbert, and is exactly like that excellent berry in all respects, except that its color, when ripe, is a fine, rich golden yellow. It is of high quality.

Kansas—The king of all Black Cap berries. Medium early, large size, great productiveness, excellent quality and perfect hardiness, make it superior to any other variety.

Columbia—A Rasperry of gigantic size, the canes growing to the height of 10 to 15 feet, strong and woody. Very hardy and vigorous. Fruit large, dark red, with small seeds. A Cap variety, never suckers.

Golden Climber—Planted in a good, rich soil, near a building or trellis, it will grow 10 to 15 feet in a season and the strong vigorous branches may be fastened up to trellis or building as one would secure a grapevine. Its fruit ripens very early (one of the very first of all Raspberries), and is produced in very large clusters, is of good size and fine quality, and deep golden yellow in color.

15c. each; $1.00 per dozen; one each of the 6 for 75c.

Great Japanese Wineberry.

The fruit is borne in large clusters, often 75 to 100 berries in a bunch. These berries are from the time of formation and bloom until they ripen, enclosed in a "burr," which is formed by the calyx covering them entirely. When ripe the "burr" opens, exhibiting a large berry of the brightest light glossy scarlet or sherry wine color. The flavor is different from any other berry, being very sprightly; sweet and juicy. 15c. each; 3 for 30c.; 15 for $1.00; 100 for $4.00.

New Peaches.

Everbearing—This is one of the most remarkable of Peaches, as it combines many desirable qualities which make it of great value for family use. The first ripening begins in July and successive crops are produced until the beginning of Nov. Fruit in all stages of development—ripe and half grown—may be seen upon the tree at the same time. Two-year-old trees bear freely. As the tree blossoms during a long period, a complete failure of fruit can never happen. The fruit is creamy white, mottled and striped with light purple and with pink veins near the skin; very juicy, vinous, and quality very best. Freestone of the Indian type. No praise can do justice to this magnificent novelty. It is really one of the finest things we ever offered. Good size, prolific, best quality and bears continually for three months. What more can be desired?

Holderbaum—A new hardy Peach of enormous size. See our spring Catalogue, page 134.

Dwarf Japanese—This is the earliest of all Peaches. It is a dwarf growing, very stocky variety from Japan, bearing when three or four feet high; a little tree one year planted, matured twenty-four fine specimens.

Champion—Fruit very large often 10 inches in circumference. Flavor most delicious, juicy, sweet and rich, surpassing most other varieties.

La France—Early, large, beautiful. Skin dark carmine-red, flesh white, fine, melting, juicy. A grand variety.

25c. each; the 5 for $1.00, or $2.00 per dozen.

Currant.

Empire—New giant sort introduced by us. Extra large, almost the size of grapes; color, richest scarlet-red.

Purity—Companion to Empire, but pure white in color, having the same tremendous size and other good qualities.

Crandall Tree—A strong and rapid grower, attaining a height of seven feet and branching freely into a fine symmetrical tree from; single shoots often grow four to five feet in one season. It bears every year a tremendous crop of large black fruit nearly the size of a grape the quality of which is entirely unlike that of any other black sort.

20c. each; 3 for 50c.; $1.50 per doz. One each of the 3 for 50c.

Industry Gooseberry.

A gooseberry of strong, vigorous growth, freedom from mildew or other diseases, and large, handsome fruit of delicious quality. The berries are dark cherry in color and when ripe are rich and sugary. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 12 for $1.60.

Five Finest Grapes.

Early Ohio—This is the earliest of all Grapes; originated at Euclid, Ohio, in 1882. The third year from seed it set 30 clusters of fruit which were allowed to grow; they ripened August 20th. It has borne large crops every year since, ripening in 1889 the 15th of August.

Moore's Diamond—This is probably the finest of all white Grapes. The vine is hardy and healthy in growth, vigorous and perfectly free from mildew. Berries large, of a beautiful light straw color and are most delicious.

Niagara—The leading white Grape of the day. Berries very large, borne in large bunches. Flavor sweet and delicious, there being but very few varieties which can equal it. It is exceedingly productive, hardy and robust.

Golden Pocklington—A very sweet and delicious Grape of a beautiful amber color. Hardy, vigorous, productive.

Moyer—An extra early Grape, about the size and color of the old Delaware, but with a larger bunch. It is, perhaps, sweeter and more delicious than any other Grape grown.

Price—Fine Vines, 20c. each; the 5 for 80c.; $1.50 per dozen.

Apple, Bismarck.

This new Dwarf Apple is indeed a wonder. Little trees a foot or so in height will bear a few apples of enormous size, either growing in pots or in the ground. A little tree 12 inches high, which we imported from France last winter, bore a fine large apple the following summer. Fruit very large, of brilliant color, and borne freely on trees two years old. A most unique pot plant and a fine little tree for the garden, the great apples on such very small trees attracting great attention. 25c. each; 3 for 60c.

The Crimson Winter or Ever-Ready Rhubarb.

Luther Burbank, of California, the noted Horticulturist and creator of new plants and flowers, considers this the greatest Novelty he has ever produced. We made a trip all the way to California to see it and were so impressed with its value that we bought the entire stock. Briefly its wonderful qualities are as follows:

FIRST. It is the earliest of all Rhubarb by a long way and fit for use not only in the spring, but all through the summer and fall. As fast as stalks are pulled fresh ones will take their place. In the Southern and Pacific States it may be used all the year round, requiring only water in dry localities to keep it growing. It is particularly fine in winter. Color, bright crimson, except new stalks on young plants.

SECOND. It forces readily in the greenhouse or cold-frames, and will become popular and very profitable in the North for this purpose. For winter growing in the Southern and Pacific States for shipping to Northern markets it will prove to be a great thing.

THIRD. In quality this Rhubarb is simply superb, fully equal in flavor to the finest berries. The stalks are not so bulky, soft and watery as most other kinds, and the skin is so thin and tender that it is not necessary to remove it, and when cooked a beautiful crimson-colored sauce is the result, looking, as well as tasting, like berries. Flavor sprightly and refreshing, combining that of the Raspberry and Strawberry, but greatly superior to either as a cooked fruit. In fact, it makes the most delicious sauce and pies we have ever tasted, while its beautiful color when cooked makes it exceedingly attractive and appetizing.

FOURTH. It is a rapid and perpetual grower, forming new crowns continually, and is rapidly increased by division; robust and perfectly hardy anywhere. It will stand frosts which would destroy any other sort. This new Rhubarb has qualities which will make it as freely used as any of our standard fruits or vegetables. Large fortunes will be made in growing it for market, and those who start first will reap the greatest harvest.

Mr. Burbank says: "For forcing under glass in the cold North for constant supply for home use, and for growing in California and the South for shipping North and East it promises to be more profitable than anything else which the soil produces."

Set the plants 2½ by six feet apart. Two dry, dormant plants mailed to us last spring by Mr. Burbank, and planted out about May first, grew so vigorously that on July first there were more than a dozen stalks fit to pull, on some of which were leaves measuring 3 feet in length by 2 feet broad.

PRICE. While Mr. Burbank has already sold several hundred plants of this Rhubarb at $1.50 each, we are able to offer it at the very moderate price of 40c. *each; 3 for $1.00; 7 for $2.00; 20 for $5.00;* by mail or express prepaid. Ready in Oct.

True Irish Shamrock.

We are glad to be able to offer the true Shamrock, as so many spurious plants have been called Shamrock and sold as such. This stock is genuine, and thoroughly acclimated, having been grown here several years. A very beautiful pot plant with dark chocolate and green foliage. 60c. each; 2 for $1.00. We will take the plants back and return money if purchaser afer seeing it is not satisfied it is the true Shamrock.

THE MAYFLOWER SEMI-MONTHLY

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THE MAYFLOWER monthly magazine, so long the leading publication in floriculture, will, after December next, be published twice each month (24 times a year) instead of monthly. Each one of the 24 numbers will be devoted largely to one special subject, and that subject will be treated thoroughly and completely, giving all needful information regarding origin and the care and culture necessary to bring forth its highest development. In short, a complete, though brief and concise treatise, with fine illustrations on the flower, or plants (or other subjects) that will enable anyone to handle it with the utmost ease and success. The important features of THE MAYFLOWER, as it now appears, will be retained, such as: "Correspondence, Questions and Answers;" "Information Box;" Timely Articles and Comments, and good miscellaneous articles as far as space will allow, after thoroughly treating and illustrating the leading subject for the issue.

It is our purpose to continue this series for at least three years, making 72 issues, which will cover all the important garden and window plants, besides other useful subjects such as "Insects," "Soils and Fertilizers," etc. These numbers should be filed away ready for reference at any time when information, or reliable cultural directions, regarding any important plant is needed. While we ask a subscription price of only 50c. per year we desire, if possible, to take subscriptions for three years, covering the entire series, and as an inducement will reduce the price one-half, making, when paid in advance, only 75c. for the whole three years, 72 numbers, 1c. for each number. Is it not well worth it?

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Complete descriptions and illustration of all the best new Flowers, Vegetables and Fruits that are being introduced.

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Valuable suggestions regarding the planning and planting of a Small Fruit Garden, with list of the best Strawberries, Blackberries, Raspberries, etc., for various localities.

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A complete treatise on this beautiful bulbous plant, giving description of all known species, with cultural directions.

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How to grow them to perfection, and other information.

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Telling how they should be grown, and how to keep the roots over winter, with list of the very best varieties, and suggestions on grouping and massing to produce the best effects.

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Complete cultural directions, with instructions for growing this beautiful autumn flower to the greatest perfection.

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Best varieties for home and conservatory decorations, and how to manage them.

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